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## **Pictures of Strike Against Voluntary Hospitals in New York**

*News photos show pickets massed at hospital entrance, besieged administrator, volunteers on duty in kitchens and elevators and on nursing floors (page 63)*

## **Hospitals Accept Uniform System of Pricing Services**

*This group of 94 hospitals in Southern California has agreed to abide by a new set of principles for establishing charges (page 65)*

## **Refresher Courses Help Build Standby Supply of Staff Nurses**

*By offering refresher courses for inactive nurses, these hospitals have tapped a new supply of personnel, helped nurses now at work learn new technics (page 87)*

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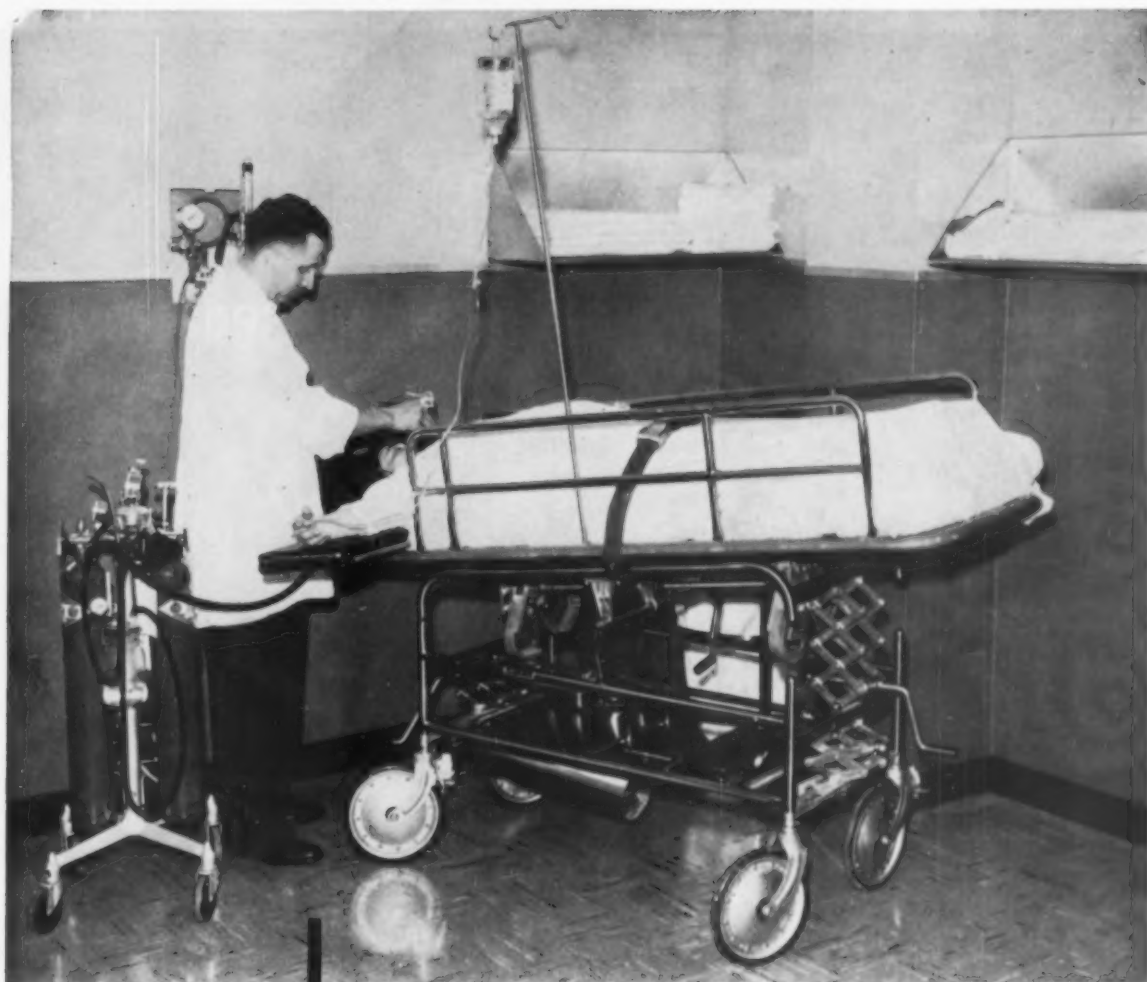
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## READER OPINION

### Partial Piping Didn't Work

Sirs:

Not often do I feel inclined to question recommendations of an article based upon such an obviously exhaustive study as that connected with your recently published article, "How Many Oxygen Outlets Are Enough?" (January issue) I was, however, amazed at and in complete disagree-

ment with the recommendations. Seven years ago we opened a new general hospital of 135 beds with outlets in 20 per cent of the rooms. We faced our first disappointment — on the day we moved in — when we found that besides trying to fulfill patient requests for seven different types of rooms and segregating male and female patients, we also were faced with the task of matching patients

needing oxygen with oxygen outlets. We gave up on the first day and proceeded to move cylinders all over the building just as we had been doing in our old hospital. About one year later, we put oxygen outlets in all other patient rooms and, in so doing, reduced our cost of oxygen to the extent that the installation paid for itself in less than two years — not taking into account labor savings. Our cylinder purchased oxygen had been nearly twice as costly as bulk purchased oxygen.

The safety advantages involved in doing away with all cylinders would justify an article within itself so I will not delve further into that matter.

In my opinion the same rationale should not be applied to the installation of a suction outlet in each room for several obvious reasons.

Moving patients from one room to another is a costly procedure. Not too many moves — the nonuser of oxygen away from the outlet in order to allow the user to get to the outlet — would be required to surpass the cost of an additional \$50 outlet.

Another factor which should not be completely ignored is the psychology involved in whisking the patient off to a "special" room with oxygen.

Count me among those with a philosophy of "all or nothing at all," at least as far as oxygen piping is concerned. And I earnestly hope hospital planners, for the sake of everyone concerned, will avoid partial piping.

I earnestly feel that this article could influence some planners to make a very serious mistake in connection with oxygen piping and wonder if your publication would not be rendering a service by encouraging comment or articles from others.

E. B. Sledge  
Administrator

Greenwood Leflore Hospital  
Greenwood, Miss.

### Based on Probable Need

Sirs:

When an architect or administrator is faced with the decision to provide any service in a patient's room (in this case oxygen outlets) he can approach the problem in two ways. He can, as Mr. Sledge indicated, put an outlet in each room or, in case of multiple bedded rooms, between each two beds.

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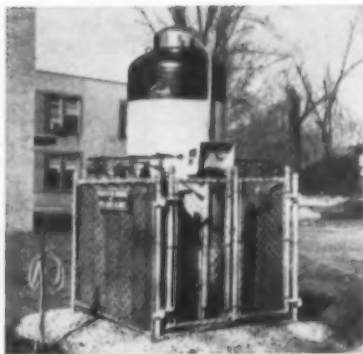
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safety factor. It was to this rational method that my paper was devoted.

A most useful criterion of need was expressed as the probability that any patient will require oxygen during his hospital stay. This criterion, it was found, varied between clinical services. The probability of a maternity patient's requiring oxygen was one out of 1325, in other words an extremely rare occurrence. Why plan for a probability of 1 to 1.8 as you would under the "all or nothing at all" formula?

Medical patients, on the other hand, required oxygen much more frequent-

ly, i.e. one out of every 4.7 medical patients required oxygen. Consequently, since patient movement is to be minimized, we concurred with the recommendations of Gaulin and Mr. Sledge. The experience on the surgical floors lay between these two extremes and any recommendation would depend on the weight assigned to the inconvenience of moving a patient from one room to another. Any recommendation should be viewed as an aid in "decision making," not as an absolute law engraved in stone forever. That is why we stated in the body of

the article, "As for the surgical floors the hospital administrator can, with these two criteria, make a decision as to the necessity for 0.69 outlets per bed when the probability of having to move any one patient to an outlet — if the figure is lowered to 0.25 per bed — is 1 out of 69.

John D. Thompson  
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## Designed Peralta Unit

Sirs:

The March issue of *The Modern Hospital* had an article on the Peralta Intensive Care Unit.

We were the architects for this unit and spent considerable thought in its development and execution. No mention of us was made in the article.

Generally your magazine gives architectural credit to published plans and photographs. We hope you can correct this omission.

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*The omission was indeed our error, for which we apologize. — Ed.*

## Say It Out Loud

Sirs:

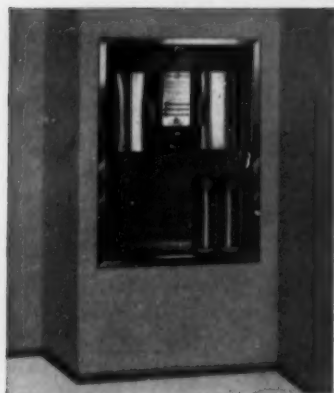
The article in *The Modern Hospital*, March 1959, p. 100, by David E. Rose and Mildred E. Schwieler was very helpful to all of us. We have full accreditation and have no gripes, but one hears constantly of the misunderstanding that exists among hospital administrators concerning accreditation.

Instead of speaking about what National League for Nursing requires for this or that, the emphasis should be on what is required to administer a worthy educational program which we owe to students. There are ways of doing it, once we become aware of our own responsibility and cease to blame others for requiring what we ourselves should have judged necessary.

It is good to see us reach the point where we can talk to each other about this rather than about each other. Agreement or understanding is never reached until we reach the "talk to" stage. The article will help a great deal in this direction.

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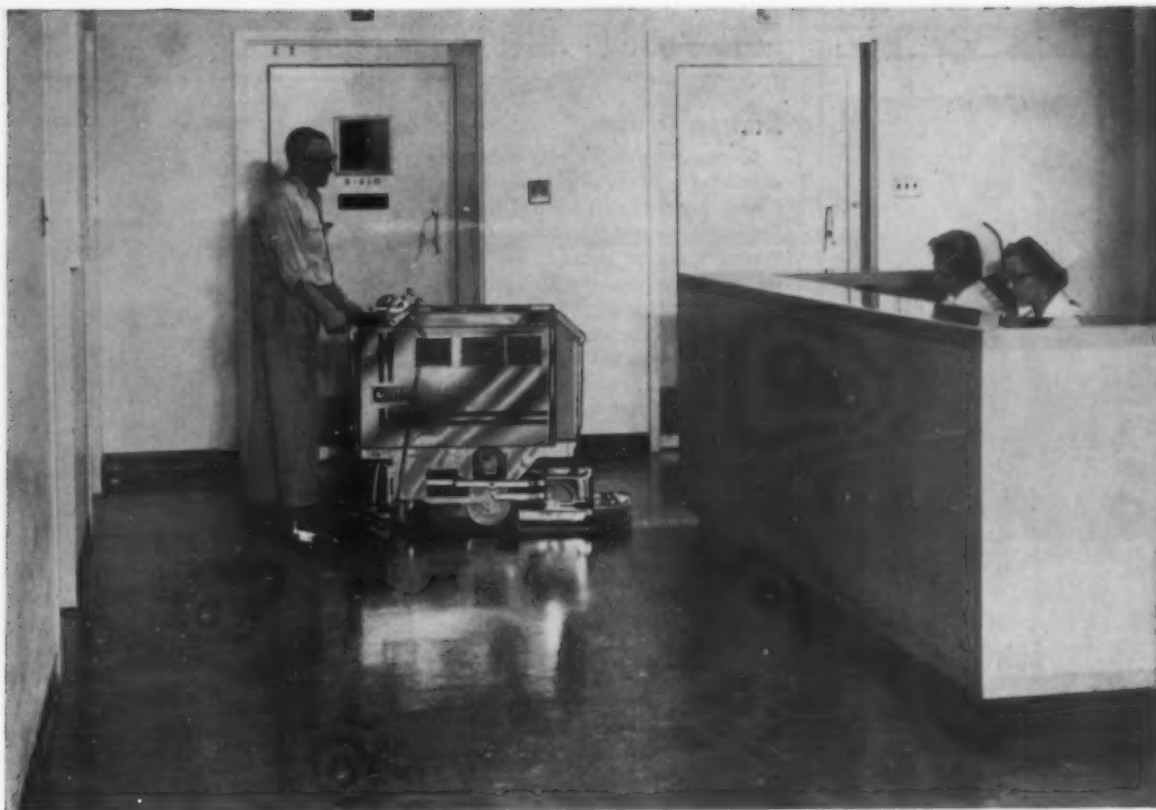
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Donald C. Carner, administrator of Seaside Memorial Hospital, Long Beach, Calif., was bothered by the fact that patient care instructions, scrawled on scrap paper, were pasted to beds, doors and walls with adhesive tape. Besides looking untidy, such instructions were often overlooked.

"It occurred to me that the standard patient care orders might be mounted on cylinders so that the



Nurse dials a patient's orders on the holder. Card at bottom provides space for any special instructions.

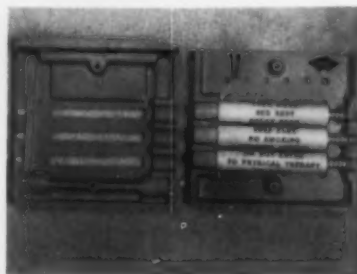
nurse, aide or orderly could simply dial the proper instruction near the bedside," he reports.

Although printed cards to fit into a card holder attached to the bed are available, Mr. Carner found that his system eliminates trips to and from the nursing station to obtain and post the cards and saves money by eliminating an inventory of the printed cards.

In his hospital, Mr. Carner found that the use of the wrist band patient identification system made it possible to move the standard instructions to the corridor wall, except in large wards where they are attached to the head of the bed. Mounted on the wall,

the device prevents many unnecessary intrusions into the patient's room by aides, orderlies, technicians, dietitians and others.

"The patient thus obtains far more rest and privacy as he is not disturbed



Unassembled view shows how each cylinder provides space for several standard patient care instructions.

every time a hospital employee needs to check to see if this is the x-ray, blood test, special diet, or physical therapy case he is seeking," Mr. Carner says.

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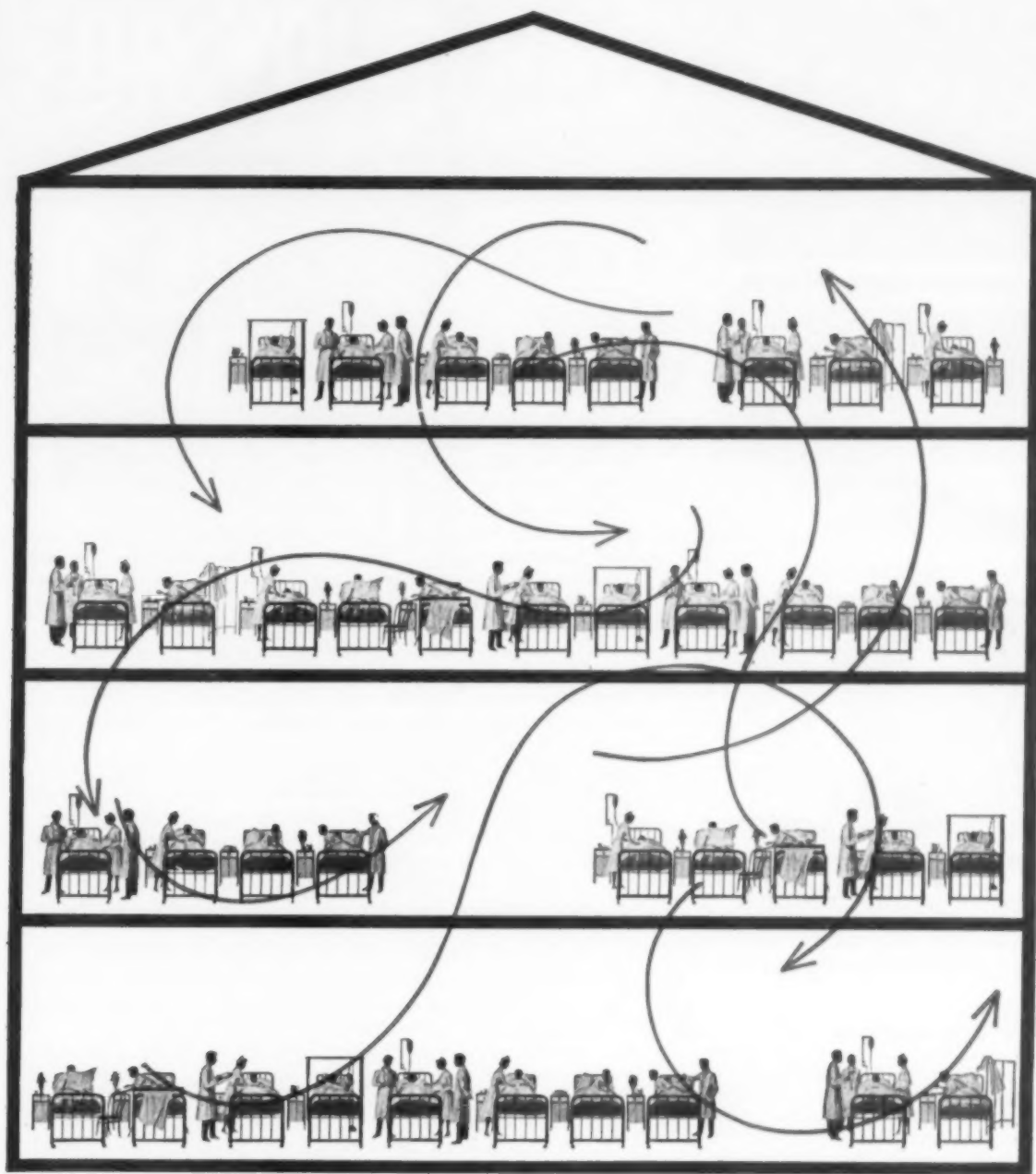
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A "big brother" system is being used by hospitalized veterans in their fight against mental illness. Recovering patients at the V.A. mental hospital at Salisbury, N.C., have formed a society known as "The Helping Hand," in which each member holds himself responsible for more seriously ill patients in hospital activities, the V.A. announced.

Dr. Samuel J. Muirhead, manager of the hospital, said the scheme has helped both members and nonmembers of the society.

More improved patients can help less fortunate patients toward recovery in ways that the hospital staff cannot, he said, since patients often notice improvement in the condition of their companions and thus become aware that their own improvement is possible.

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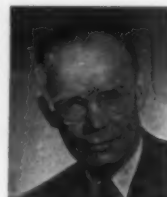
## Public Relations

# Does the Hospital's Size Influence the Character of Public Relations?

By Gordon Davis

**J**UST offhand and without giving too much thought to it, would you say that small hospitals tend naturally to have better public relations than large, or vice versa?

The easy answer to this one is to duck behind some convenient aphorism, such as "There is no grandeur in size," but the question is not asked idly. Certainly the size of your hospital has much to do with the nature of your program.



Gordon Davis

The large hospital has greater resources, greater capacity to employ specialized manpower for public relations functions. The administrator of the small hospital often has no help. If there is to be literature for patients, he must develop it. If there are to be press releases, he must write them himself.

Assuming that there is more than a shred of the gregarious in his makeup, however, the able administrator of a small hospital should be a happy person. He is close to the people he serves; he understands their passions and prejudices; he is sensitive to their moods; in turn his purposes should be better understood.

In fact, the need for organized public relations is partly the outgrowth of the communications failures that tend to develop with size. Bigness insulates. It interposes a protective string of subordinates between boss and consumers, lessening his exposure to their whims and reducing their comprehension of his motives.

Unless the head of the big institution undertakes specific compensatory measures, a situation can develop into an impasse before he is fully aware of it.

On the other hand, there are advantages in detachment, for it makes it easier to be objective, to resist expediency in favor of foresight. This, too, is important in public relations: — or should I say it is important in public relations, too?

Choose your own illustrations. No doubt you know of a doubtful action into which a small hospital has been forced by the immediacy of public pressure but which a large hospital has resisted successfully. Perhaps you also know of instances in which a large hospital has seemed completely insensible to a public displeasure readily recognized and responded to by a small hospital.

Probably it is not safe to maintain that the administrator of a small hospital will profit most from strengthening his long-range public relations, the administrator of the large hospital from a closer look at what's happening in terms of public relations from day to day.

But at least it should be recognized that the size of the institution has an effect on both the philosophical approach to public relations and the suitability of given technic.

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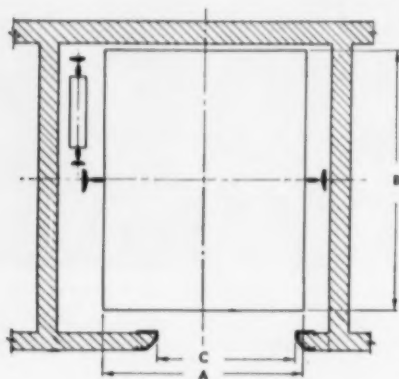
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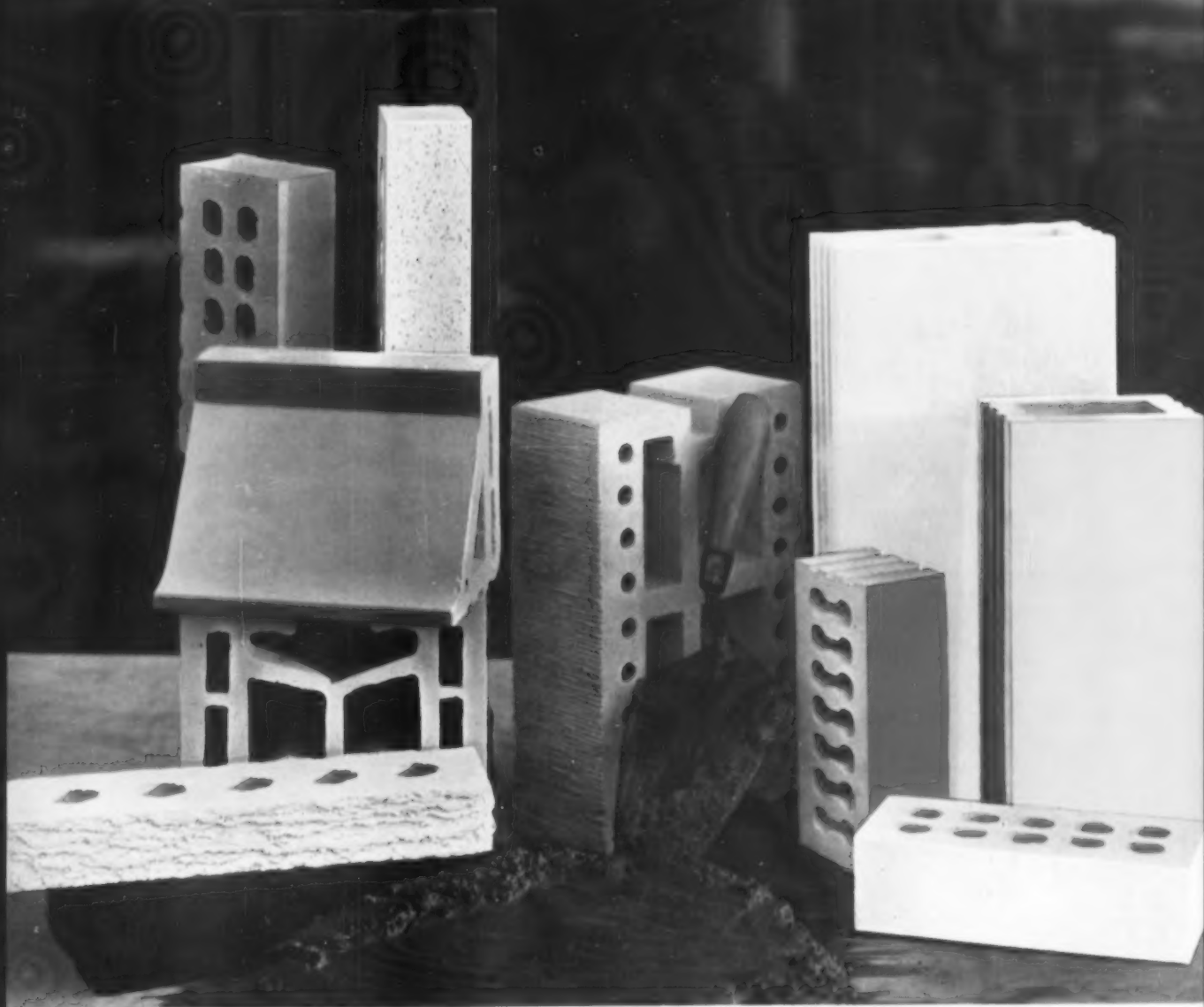
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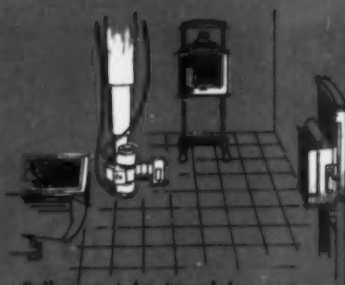
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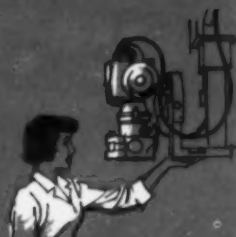
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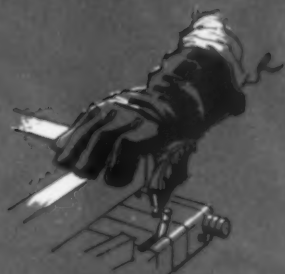
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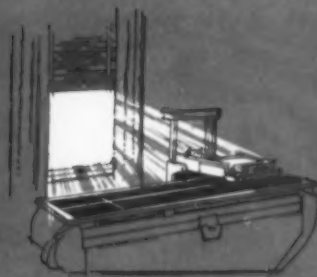
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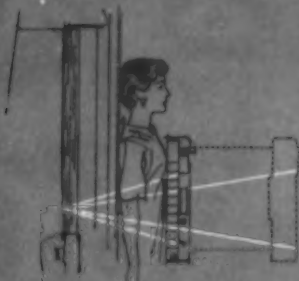
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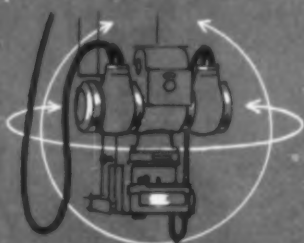


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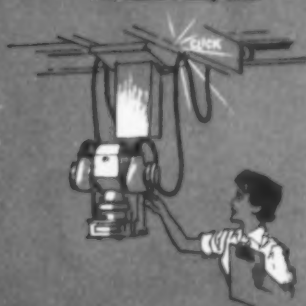
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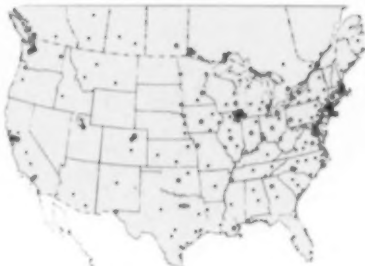
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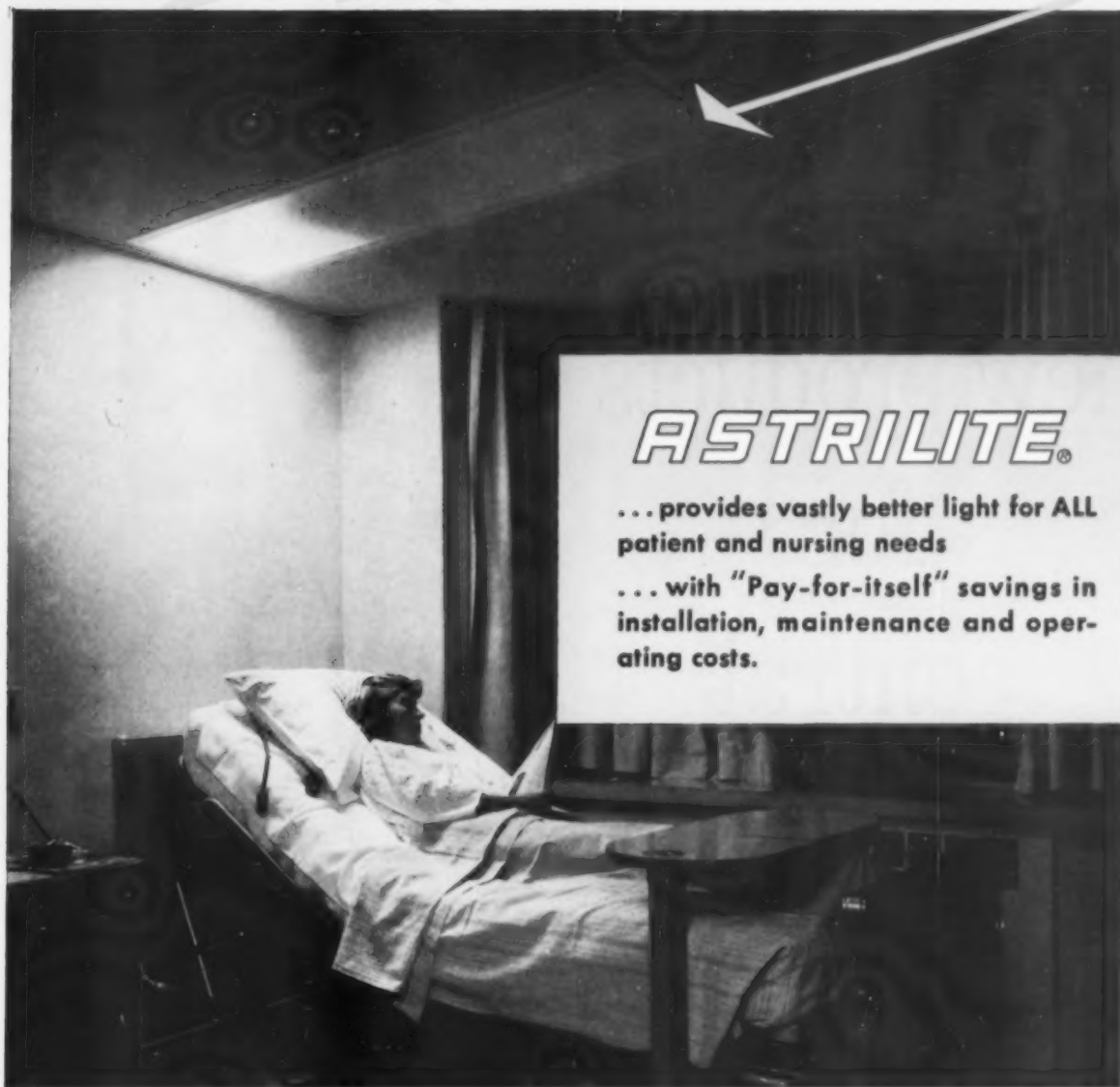
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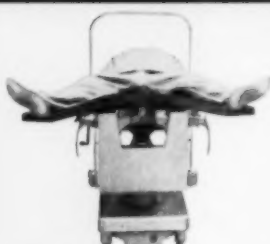
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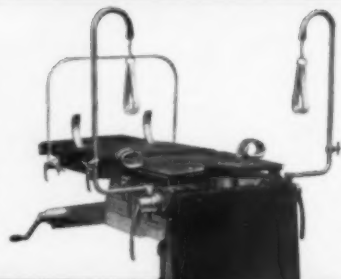
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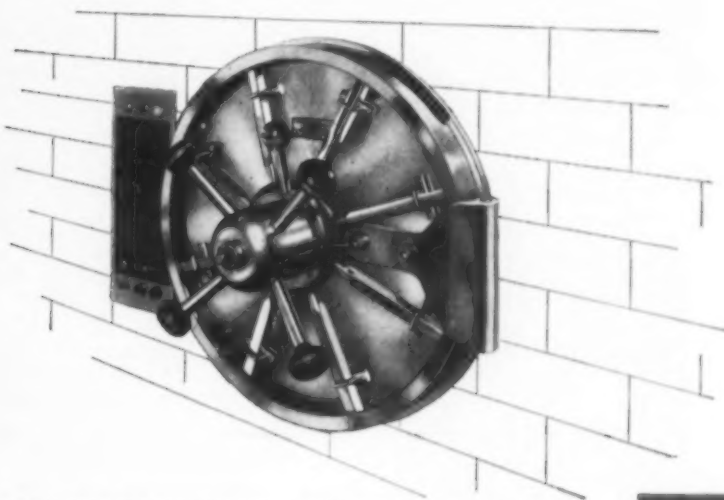
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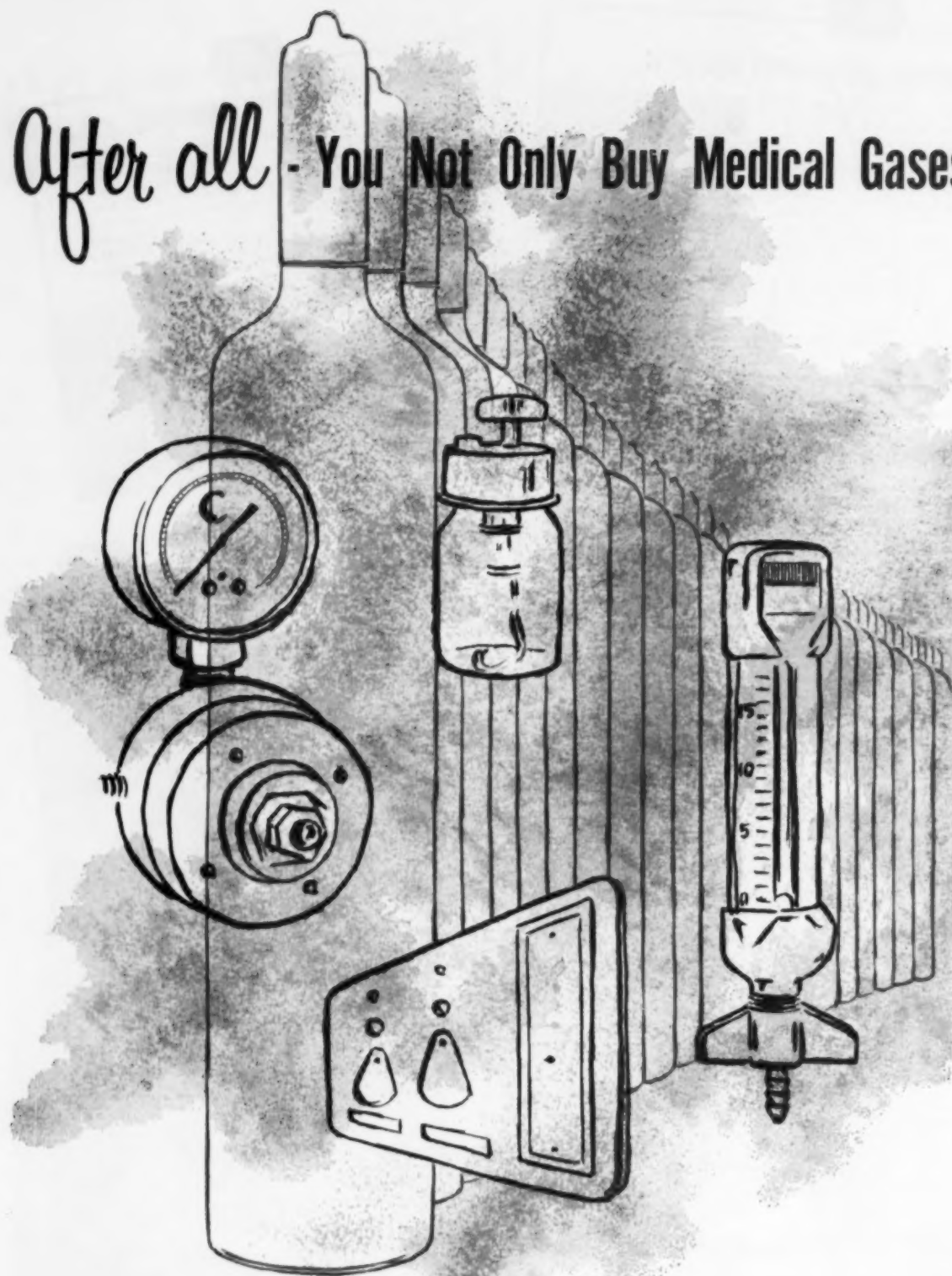


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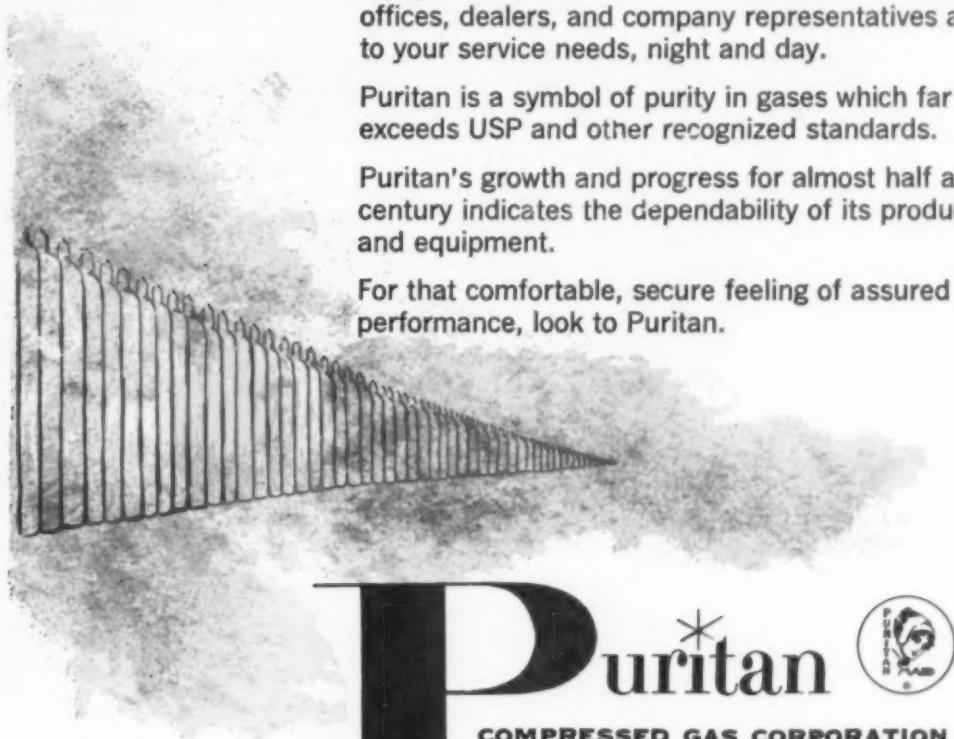
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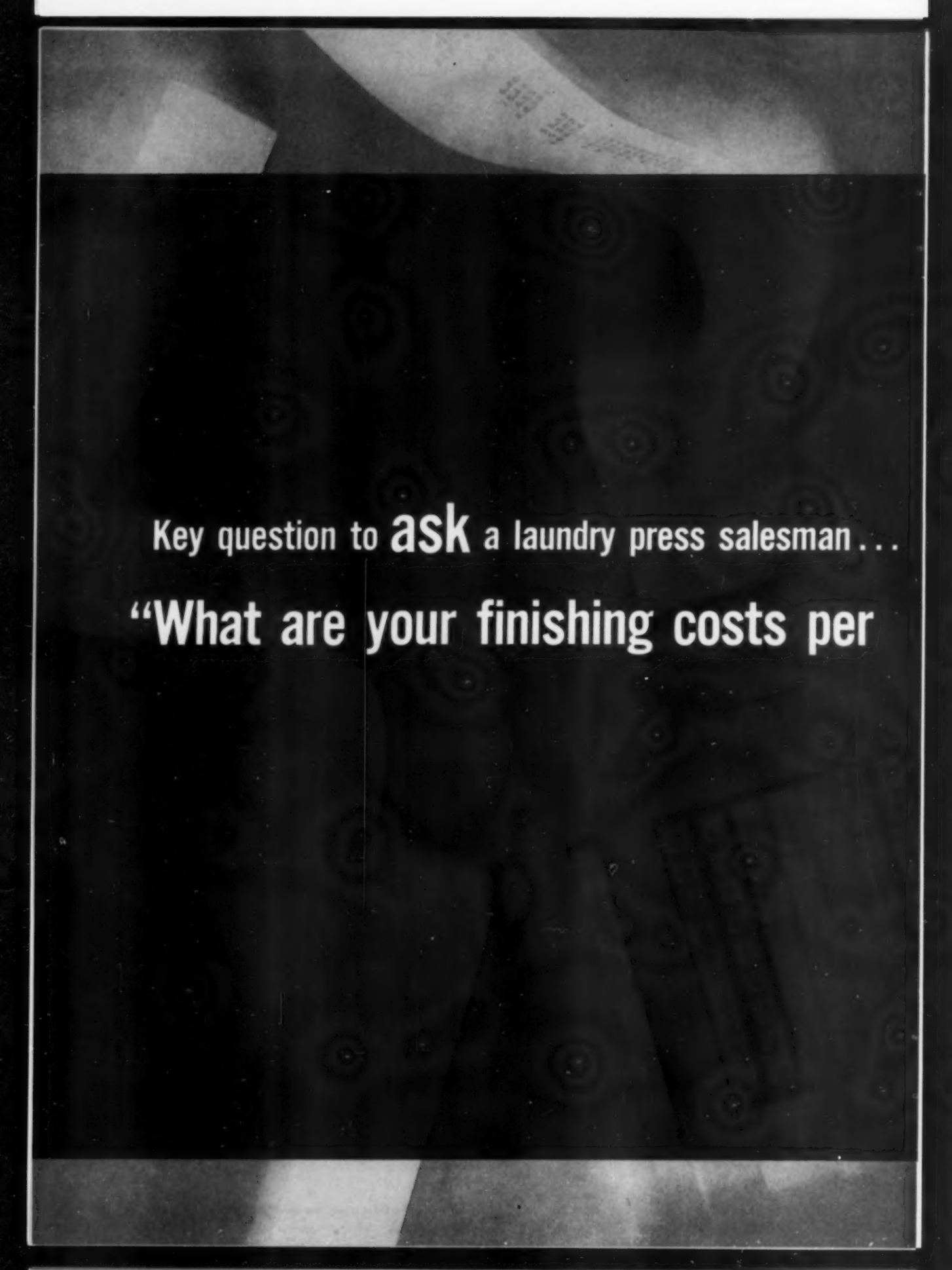
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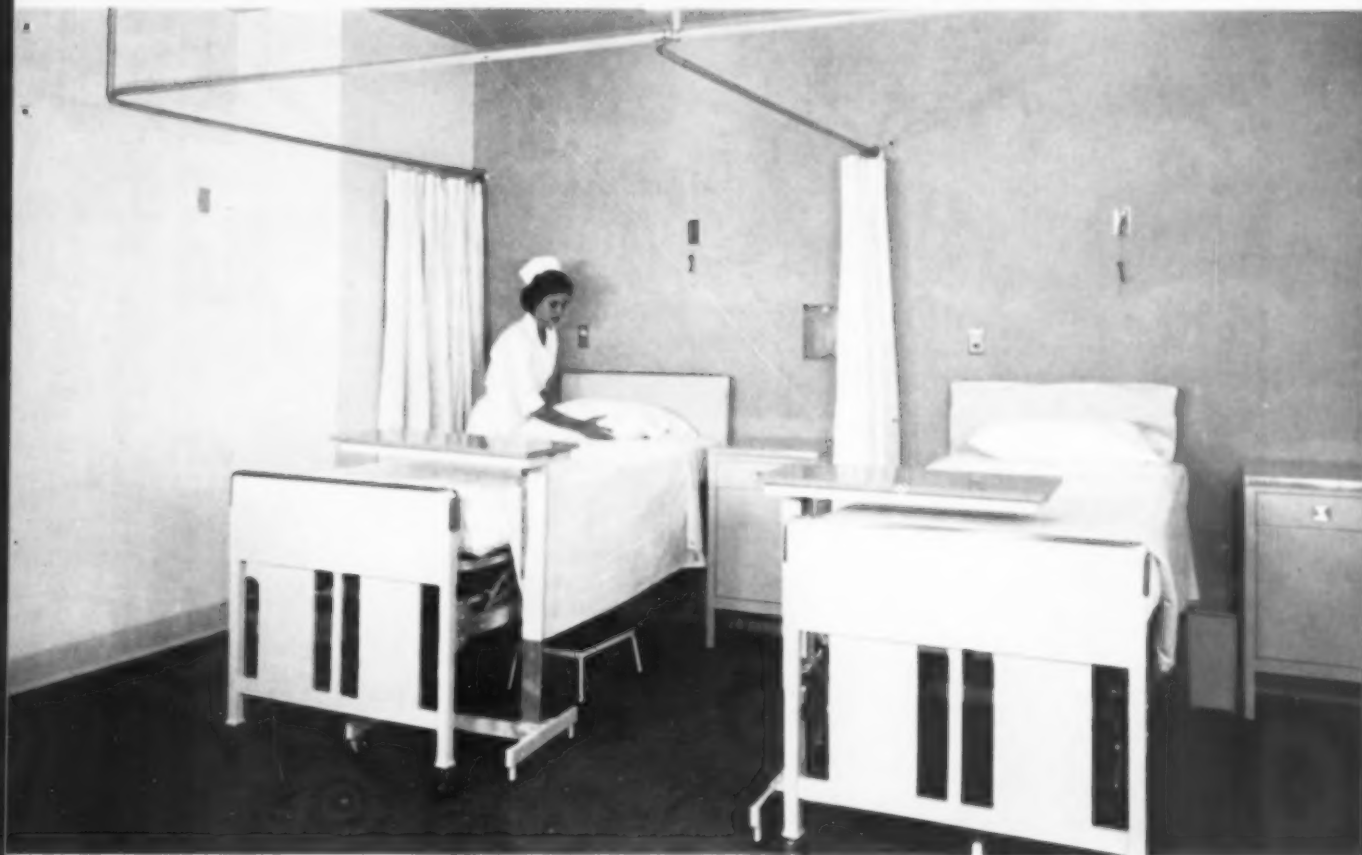
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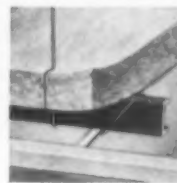
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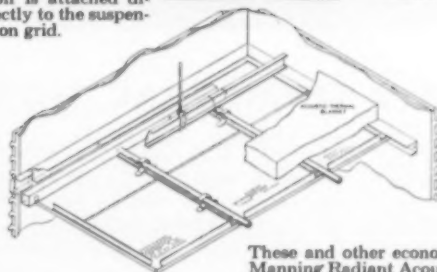
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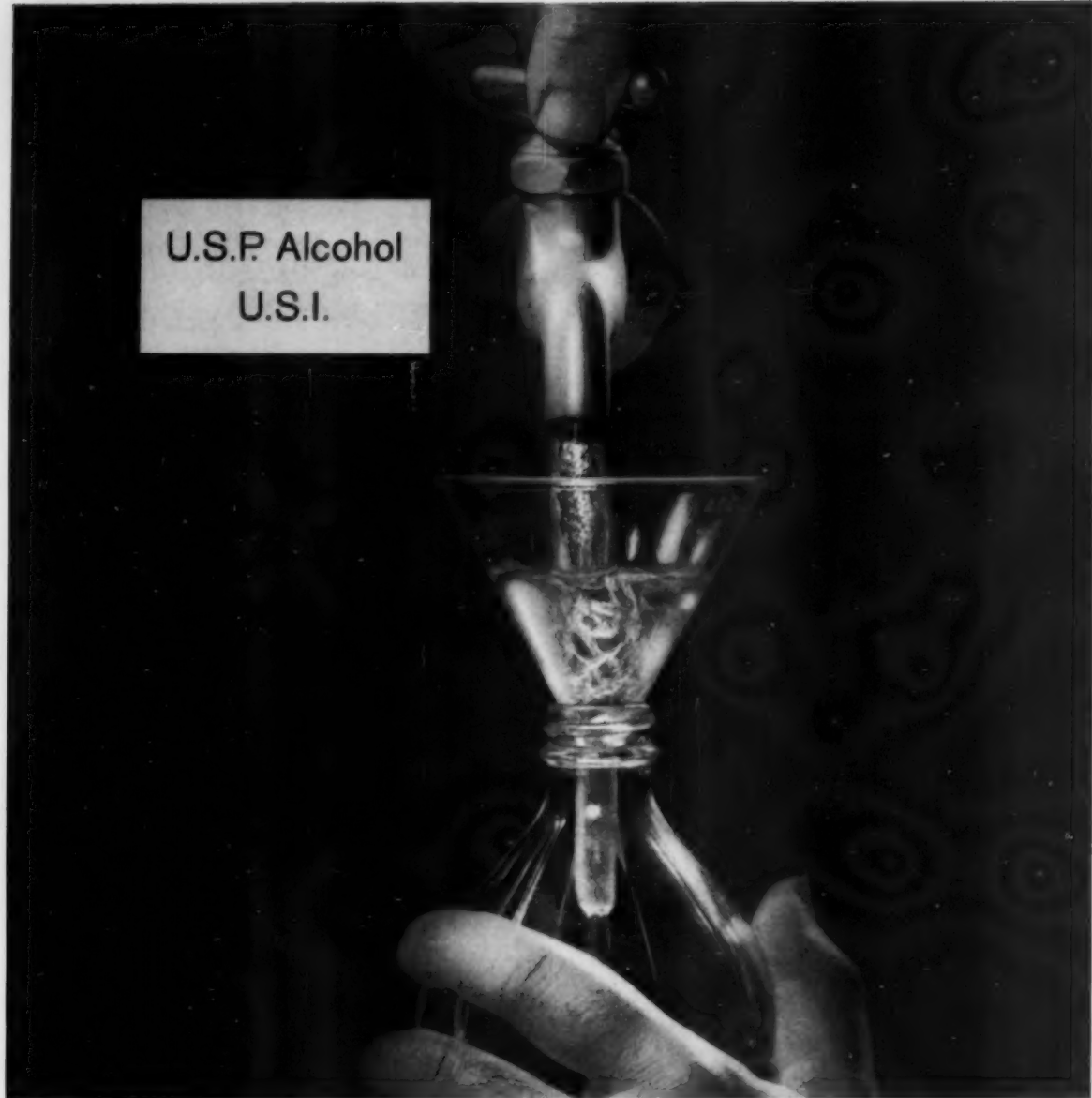
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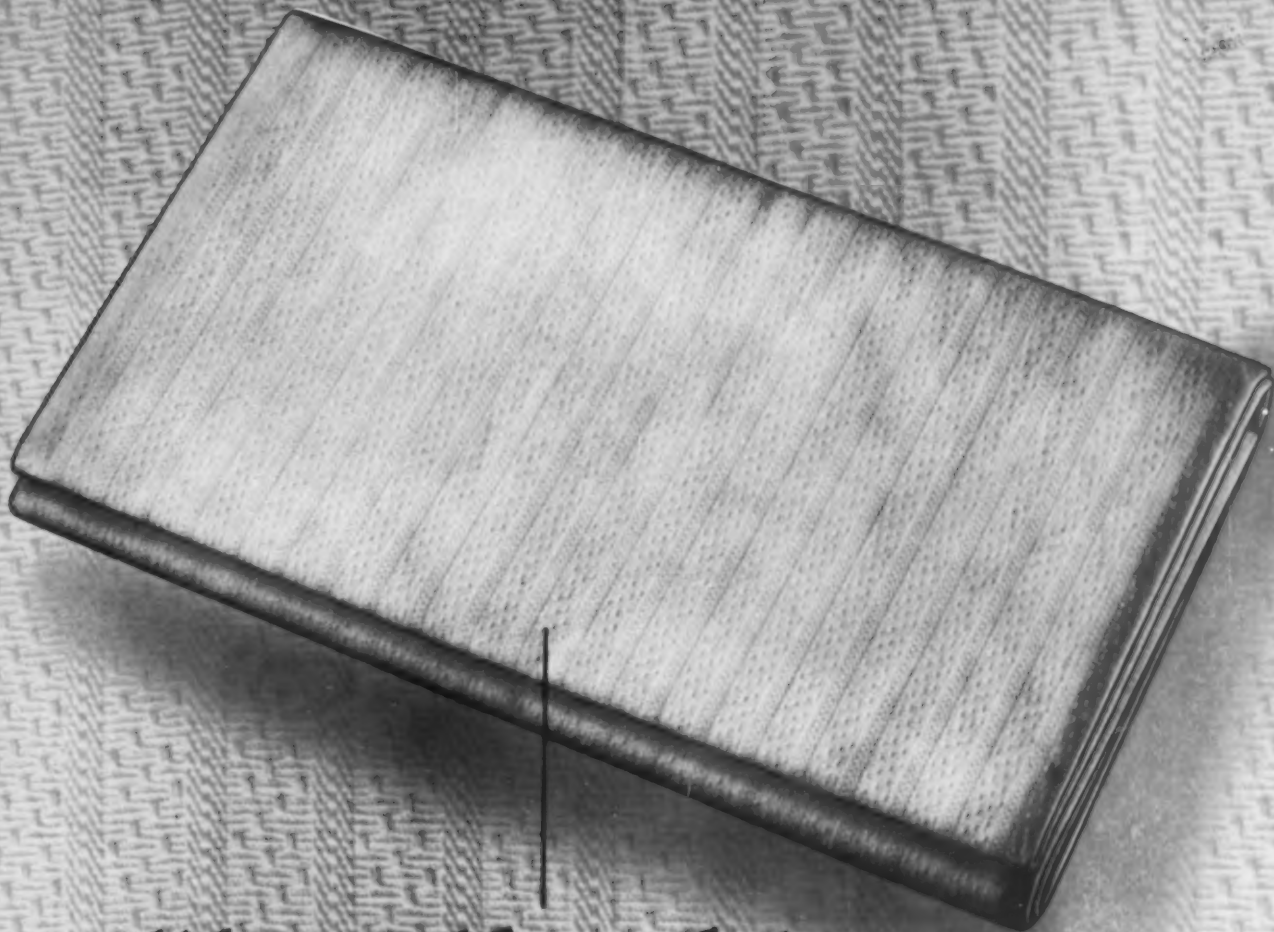


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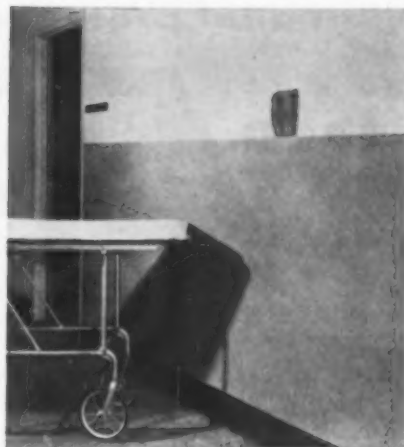
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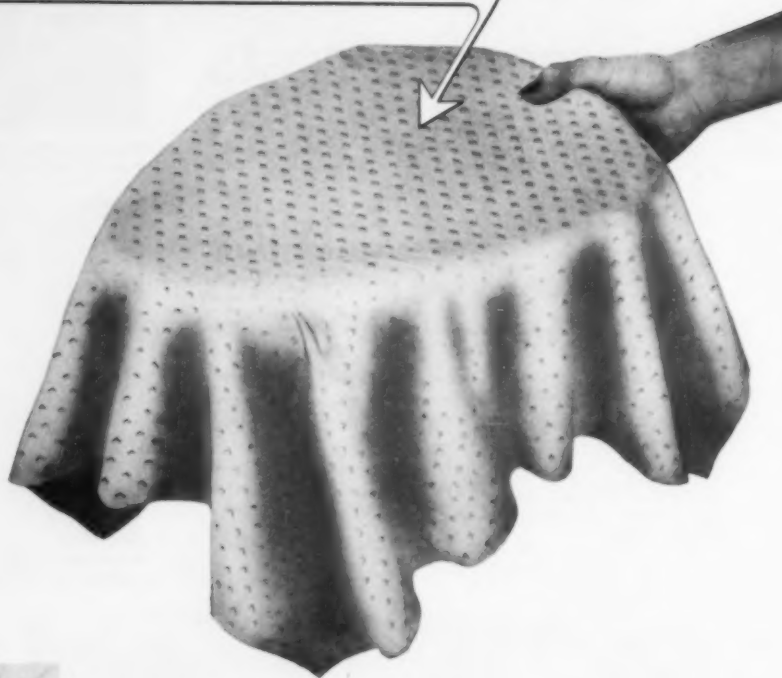
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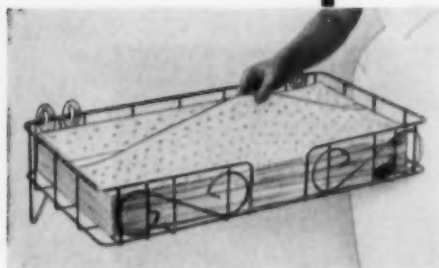
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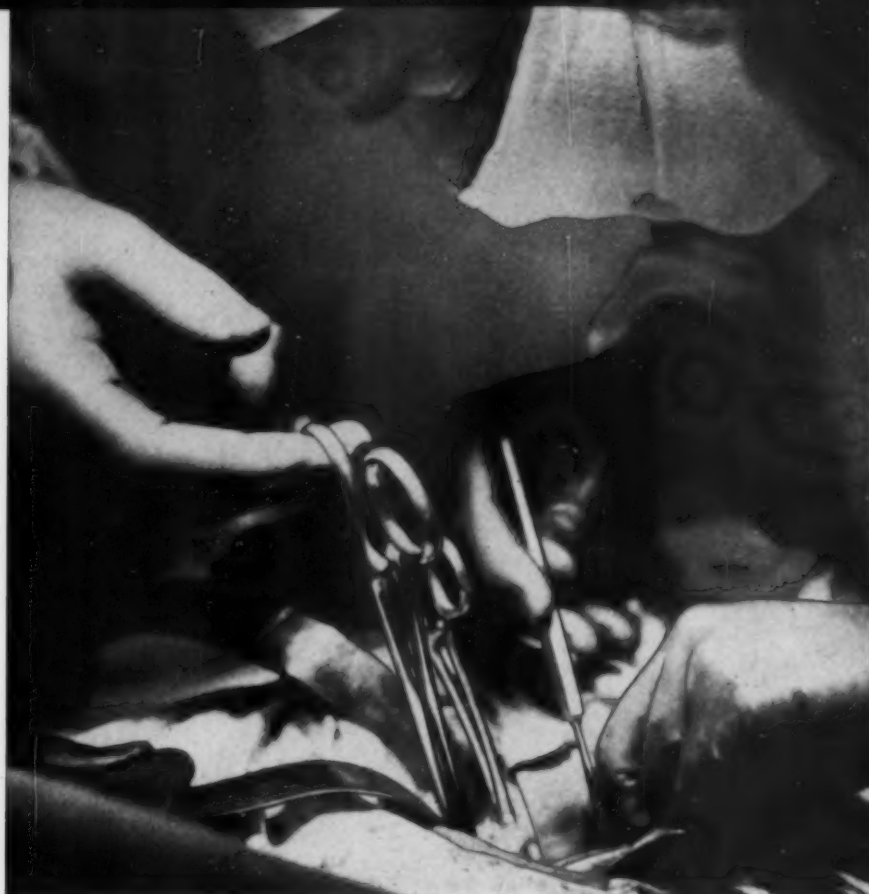
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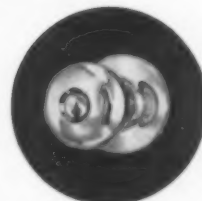
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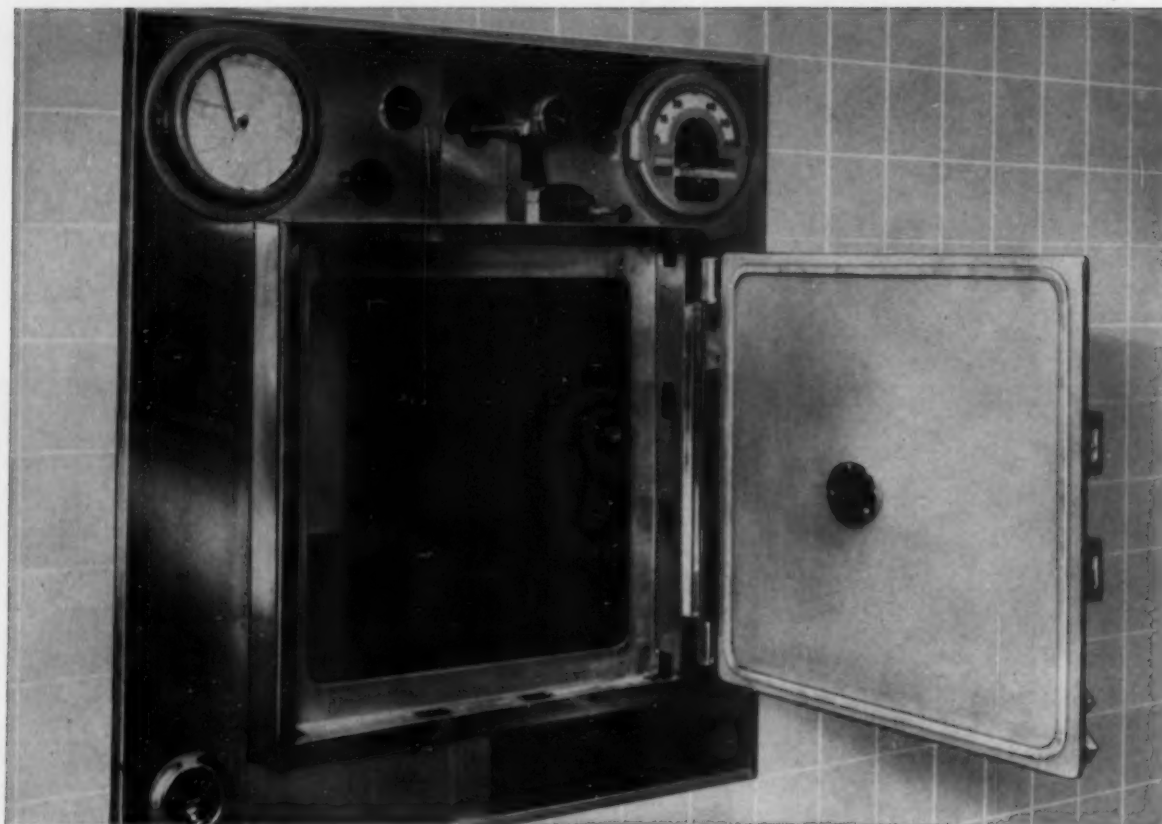
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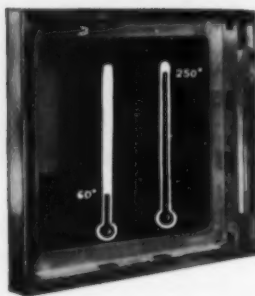




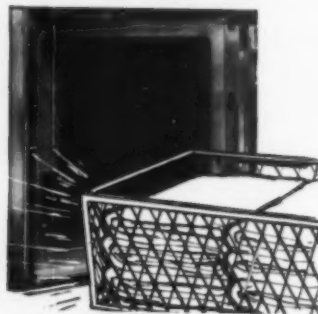
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## Keeping the O.R. Clean

**Question:** We are currently examining our aseptic routines in the operating room area with a view toward eliminating wound infections or at least sharply reducing the wound infection rate. Is there a recommended procedure available for controlling contamination that can be adopted by a hospital of 65 beds?—A.C., Ill.

**ANSWER:** Many hospitals of all sizes are presently experimenting to find ways of maintaining a truly sterile operating room. One approach, recently described in the literature,\* reportedly was extremely successful in a 56 bed hospital. The procedure used at this hospital placed emphasis on "a high degree of cleansing and isolation."

Basis of the procedure, as reported in RN, is a series of four zones set up between the O.R. and the rest of the hospital. Zone A, comprising the two O.R. rooms, the sterilizing room and the autoclave area, is the sterile zone. Zone B, comprising the inner corridor where the scrub sinks are located, the stretcher room and the clean workroom, is classified as the interchange zone. Zone C, the clean zone, comprises the outer corridor, nurses' room and station, and the doctors' room. Zone D, the so-called dirty zone, comprises the rest of the hospital.

The authors report that when the scrub nurse arrives, she enters the clean zone (Zone C), hangs her street clothes in her locker and puts on her duty shoes. She then washes her hands and dons a sterile scrub gown and cap, and a fitted filter mask.

She next enters the interchange zone (Zone B) where a strip of detergent-disinfectant-soaked blanket is stretched on the floor just inside the entrance. Here she sits on a stool at one end of the blanket and picks up a pair of sterile conductive boots. After she puts them on over her duty shoes, she may move freely within the interchange zone.

Next, the nurse opens packs containing her gown, gloves and a supply of sterile brushes and cotton balls. She

puts on a plastic apron and begins her scrub. (The authors point out that the waterproof plastic apron prevents any organisms from splashing on the nurse's scrub dress and later soaking through to contaminate her surgical gown. The circulating nurse, who has now arrived, removes the apron for her as soon as the scrub is completed.)

The scrub nurse does two five-minute scrubs, each with a separate brush. Then she soaks her hands and arms for 30 seconds at the rinse basin. She sponges them for another 30 seconds with a cotton ball dipped in the rinse solution. Finally, she dries them carefully and dons her operating gown and gloves.

She now enters the operating room (Zone A) and sets up the instrument tables. Meanwhile, other members of the surgical team arrive.

An outside aide brings the patient to Zone B (the interchange zone) on a ward stretcher and stops the stretcher on the detergent-disinfectant-soaked blanket. An aide inside the zone then dresses the patient in a sterile cap, gown, and mask. (A gauze mask is used because a filter mask would interfere with anesthesia.) The aide then transfers the patient to a clean stretcher that is always kept inside Zone B.

Neither the aide nor the ward stretcher is ordinarily allowed in the O.R., according to the authors. If a doctor orders his patient transferred directly from a recovery room bed to the O.R. table, the bed is scrubbed before it is brought in from Zone B. Any

outside equipment is also scrubbed before it is brought into this zone.

Aides leaving the O.R. to get the patient must don fresh caps, gowns, masks and boots before reentering the interchange zone. The authors point out that anyone from the O.R. can go as far as the clean zone (Zone C); but this person must wipe his or her boot soles on the specially treated blanket before reentering Zone B (the interchange zone).

These rules apply to everyone. They are in force constantly. We believe, wrote the authors, "that the only way to ensure strict adherence to aseptic technic is to enforce all rules through constant supervision by an R.N. We believe that operating room supervisors — or, for that matter, supervisors of delivery rooms and newborn nurseries — are justified in practicing a friendly tyranny over the people who come into their domain."

## Does Blue Cross Over-Use

**Question:** One of our trustees who is interested in Blue Cross insists that Blue Cross patients use the hospital oftener than is necessary, and Blue Cross patients tend to stay in the hospital longer than other patients. He is suggesting organization of a medical staff committee to "police" Blue Cross. Others on the board agree with the administration that this is a radical step, and we have read that there is no proof of over-use of hospitals by Blue Cross patients. Are there studies showing what the facts are, and what medical staff committees can accomplish?—M.W.M., Idaho.

**ANSWER:** A recent study reported by the U. S. Public Health Service showed that insured (though not necessarily by Blue Cross) patients used the hospital more often than uninsured persons, and that the average hospital stay of the insured patient was substantially longer than the stay of the uninsured patient. Review committees have been established by the medical staffs of many hospitals in an effort to eliminate excessive use of facilities, but as yet there are no published reports showing what such committees have accomplished.

Conducted by Jewell W. Thrasher, R.N., Frazier-Ellis Hospital, Dothan, Ala.; A. A. Aita, San Antonio Community Hospital, Upland, Calif.; Pearl Fisher, Thayer Hospital, Waterville, Maine, and others.

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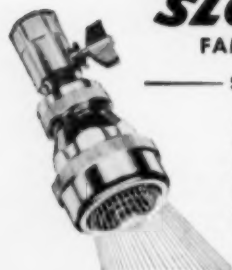
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## HILL-BURTON EVALUATED

Back from a nationwide series of meetings with hospital and medical groups, Dr. Jack C. Haldeman, chief of the Hill-Burton program, reports that the industry now is well aware that better planning must go hand-in-hand with the increased construction that is in sight.

Dr. Haldeman and other Public Health Service officials met with hospital and medical groups in New Orleans, Salt Lake City, Chicago and Washington, D.C. He is chief of the P.H.S. division of hospital and medical facilities, which administers H-B at the national level.

"I noticed broad community and state concern over the mounting cost of hospital care," Dr. Haldeman told *The Modern Hospital*. "The industry now wants a critical examination of those areas where we suspect or know that there is inefficiency and duplication."

"Up to now," he said, "Hill-Burton is recognized, I think, as having done a good job in rural areas. These conferences seemed to be intensely interested in developing better planning for urban areas, and in finding some means of overcoming the economic barriers in the way of better and less costly hospital care in built-up areas, particularly suburbia where we are told three-quarters of the population growth will occur in the immediate future."

While 75 bed hospitals have their places in rural and in some suburban sections, Dr. Haldeman said there is no place for them in a city like New York. Nor should every hospital in a densely populated urban area expect that it should have a cobalt unit and all the other expensive facilities and personnel available.

"Flexibility in plans is essential," he said, "if hospitals are to keep their costs within reason and be prepared for inevitable expansion. At these meetings there were repeated references to the duty of hospitals to assume a broader role, looking into problems of long-term and short-term care and home care. It is now recognized that the hospital must build itself into the community and not price itself out of the community."

## HILL-BURTON BILL ROLLS ALONG

The bill to finance Hill-Burton hospital construction for the next fiscal year is rolling easily through Congress. As finally approved, the figure may not equal the record \$186.2 million being spent on hospitals this year, but it will be well above the \$101.2 million the Eisenhower Administration thought would be enough.

As in the past few years, Congressional leaders are berating the Administration — particularly the White House and the budget bureau — for not asking more money to run Hill-Burton and other health activities. Toward officials of the Department of Health, Education and Welfare, the Democratic representatives and senators are showing patience and understanding. With them, their attitude is:

"We know you want more money than you asked for, but you were turned down by the people at the top."

When the Senate appropriations subcommittee started hearings on the labor and health, education and welfare budget bill, Chairman Lister Hill took off after the Administration, but was lenient with Secretary Flemming and others from H.E.W.

Senator Hill noted that the House had increased money for H.E.W. by \$181 million over the budget bureau request, for a total of \$3.3 billion. He called this work by the House subcommittee, "an awfully good precedent," and recalled that for the last six years his own subcommittee had either accepted the House totals or given them a second increase.

"We realize your situation," he told the Secretary. "You are here as spokesman for your department, which is part and parcel of the Administration. It is your responsibility to defend the President's policy and budget."

Committee Member Dennis Chavez (D.-N.M.) added: "I don't see how when dealing with human beings you can worry about the budget. . . ."

At the hearings before Chairman John Fogarty's House subcommittee, held in private, the tone was the same. Through the witnesses from the department (Public Health Service and National Institutes of Health) Mr. Fogarty ripped into the Administration for submitting what he considered inadequate requests for Hill-Burton and research programs. But he saved some choice comments for the subcommittee's report, subsequently approved by the full committee and the House.

The report states that the committee is recommending \$143.7 million for H-B, an increase of \$42.5 million over the budget bureau's request. Then this observation:

"For this item, . . . the budget submission was so completely out of line with the obvious needs and demands for this program that it could not, under any circumstances, be accepted by the committee."

"The budget was based on providing only sufficient additional hospital facilities to take care of the increase in population and the loss of hospital facilities through destruction, such as by fire. There was no allowance made for replacing obsolete hospital facilities and there was no provision for making inroads into the enormous backlog of need that exists. The plans submitted by the state agencies administering this program estimated, as of Dec. 31, 1958, a total need for an additional 1,119,000 hospital and nursing home beds.

"For a nation that prides itself in not only being the most wealthy nation in the world but in putting the welfare of the individual on the highest level, it is unthinkable that we should continue to let a condition like this exist where people are deprived of good medical care when it is within our power to make it available to them."

In all of this speech making you can find a political undertone, as in past years. But the important point is that on

health matters Congress does just about what Rep. Fogarty and Sen. Hill recommend. The bills usually go through on voice vote and, if there is a roll call, only a very few conservatives are willing to stand up in opposition.

So, as Senator Hill virtually promised, the H-B appropriation will go through at very close to what it is for the current fiscal year.

Chairman Hill's hand is strengthened by the recommendation of the American Hospital Association that the full amount authorized, \$150 million, be voted by Congress for the "regular" Hill-Burton program. A.H.A. had no recommendations for the new section — chronic disease hospitals, nursing homes, diagnostic-treatment centers, and rehabilitation facilities — except that Congress should be liberal in appropriations for nursing homes.

### A.H.A. RESEARCH PROJECT

The American Hospital Association's proposed clinical evaluation of cardiovascular drugs (see *The MODERN HOSPITAL*, January 1959) now has been formally and officially put to rest.

Closed-door testimony before Mr. Fogarty's House appropriations subcommittee, now released, gives the explanation.

Addressing Dr. James Watt, director of the National Heart Institute, Chairman Fogarty bluntly opened the issue by asking: "What is the story on this grant to the American Hospital Association? Whatever happened to that? There are a lot of people talking about it. Some

people blame you, some people blame the A.M.A., and some blame the hospital association."

Dr. Watt started the explanation, but it wasn't coming out fast enough to suit Dr. J. A. Shannon, director of the National Institutes. He summarized the situation:

"There are some other things I would like to put on the record so there is no misunderstanding about our relationship with Dr. Treloar (Dr. A. E. Treloar, formerly A.H.A.'s director of research) and the study going on or not going on.

"We approached Dr. Treloar last September and October, something in excess of two years after the grant was made, and at that time he had still been unable to get a suitably qualified principal investigator who would accept detailed responsibility for running of this study.

"At that time he had under consideration several individuals who conceivably could serve in that capacity. Two of the three later told me personally they would not accept the position.

"The fact that it seemed unlikely, then, that the study would get off the ground in the immediate future, and in fact might never get off the ground, led me to believe that Dr. Treloar's activities and his contribution to science would be much better in the position of review and analysis in the (N.I.H.) division of research grants.

"To my mind, I think that the difficulties, together with the passage of time, and the establishment of other studies . . . removed the urgency for the setting up of this study for which the grant had actually been in effect with no movement for two years."

## New York Hospital Strike Spreads to Seventh Institution; 11 More Threatened

NEW YORK.—The strike against voluntary hospitals spread to a seventh hospital, Flower and Fifth Avenue, on the morning of June 5. Representatives of Local 1199, Retail Drug Employees Union, have also threatened to strike 11 additional voluntary hospitals.

Legal maneuvering, violence on picket lines and appointment by the mayor of a three-member board of investigation marked the third and fourth weeks of the strike.

The strike began May 8 when members of Local 1199 walked out of dietary, housekeeping, maintenance and nursing departments.

Union representatives claimed more than 1000 employees had walked out and hospital service was seriously impaired, but hospitals insisted the number of strikers was only a fraction of the total claimed by the union. Admissions were normal and service was uninterrupted, the hospitals added; new employees were being hired to replace workers on strike, volunteers were

available in abundance, and strike-free hospitals were helping out in many departments, it was reported.

Leon J. Davis, president of Local 1199, and a business agent of the union were fined \$250 each and sentenced to 15 days in jail by the Kings County Supreme Court for continuing the walkout at Brooklyn Jewish Hospital in defiance of a court order.

Five other hospitals (Mount Sinai, Lenox Hill, Bronx, Beth David and Beth Israel) obtained injunctions in Manhattan Supreme Court, barring the union from continuing to strike these hospitals.

### Pickets Arrested

Two strikers at Brooklyn Jewish Hospital were charged with beating a nonstriking orderly on his way home from work at the hospital, and two pickets at Mount Sinai Hospital were arrested and charged with kicking policemen who were seeking to maintain order.

In a statement announcing appoint-

ment of the three-man board to investigate the strike, Mayor Wagner said the panel, which started immediately interviewing union and hospital representatives, would consider two basic principles involved in the controversy. These were:

1. That hospital employees should not strike.

2. That employees are entitled to an adequate substitute method of presenting grievances to their employers and making proposals on matters of wages, hours and working conditions.

Prior to appointment of the board, the union had turned down an offer of the hospitals to raise wages to \$1 an hour, because the offer did not include recognition of the union as bargaining agent for employees.

A threatened strike against seven proprietary hospitals by Local 144, Hotel and Allied Service Employees Union, was postponed pending a National Labor Relations Board ruling on the question of whether the union represented a majority of employees in the seven hospitals. Officials of three of the hospitals have agreed to collective bargaining elections.



## LOOKING AROUND

### Hospital Strike

FOR a union organizer, truth resides in the squalid tenement home of an underpaid hospital orderly, and virtue illuminates the acts of all who aim to improve his condition. For a hospital president, truth is the suffering of sick and injured patients, and virtue attends the entire enterprise devoted to bringing them care and comfort. For an observer in New York City during the second week of the strike against voluntary hospitals there last month, truth was a phantom that appeared, and vanished, and appeared again wearing new features. Virtue could be found in hospital wards and offices and kitchens and elevators, and in union halls and picket lines, but sometimes the image of virtue was blurred, like a bad television picture, and sometimes a faint shadow of evil could be seen moving at virtue's elbow.

In a strikebound hospital, virtue was plainly at the side of doctors who were carrying all their regular duties and responsibilities and performing many routine chores besides; and virtue was at the side of overworked nurses who got on with the job and got it done somehow with overtime and volunteers and green new help; and virtue was at the side of the countless volunteers who came forward quickly to work at strange, hard tasks on the wards and in the kitchens and corridors; and virtue was at the side of the strike-free hospitals that offered personnel, and services, and materials as needed; and virtue was at the side of administrators who planned and worked and conferred around the

clock; and virtue was at the side of trustees who left their businesses and came to the hospital to watch and worry, and virtue was at the side of all these and many more because they were helping in God's work of healing the sick. But virtue looked the other way, in a strikebound hospital, when an administrator declared categorically that service to patients was "better than ever" — a barefaced lie; and virtue was embarrassed by a trustee who told a visitor that the striking union was led by labor racketeers, which is not the case; and virtue was shamed by the hospital's personnel record — a sorry history of mean wages and shabby practice.

Virtue listened patiently on the picket line at a strikebound hospital as a sad-faced Puerto Rican porter tried to tell a reporter what it was like for a family to live in New York City on \$38 a week; and virtue sat at a desk in the union office as an earnest young labor publicist spoke his conviction that: "Unions are good for workers — no exceptions!" and virtue was at the side of these and many others because they were helping in God's work of raising the downtrodden. But virtue turned wrathfully away from a picket line where strikers roughed up a young man on his way to work in a strikebound hospital; and virtue was sickened when the earnest young labor publicist described hard-working, decent, public-spirited hospital administrators and trustees as evil conspirators; and virtue was far, far away when a labor representative self-righteously disclaimed any responsibility for interrupted or deteriorated service to the sick in the struck hospitals, be-

cause: "It was management's refusal to recognize the union that caused the strike."

Whether leaders of labor believe it or not, management's refusal to recognize the union is solidly based on management's understanding that the hospital's obligations are unlike those of all other enterprise in our society — a circumstance acknowledged in law by exemption from the compulsory collective bargaining provisions of state and federal labor statutes. Its procedures may be similar at times, but the purpose of a hospital is as different from the purpose of industry as a church is different from a bank. The purpose of a hospital is patient care, and responsibility for patient care is indivisible. Whatever subtracts from management's authority in a hospital subtracts from management's responsibility and might at any time become a threat to the life or safety or comfort of patients — as the life and safety and comfort of patients have indeed been threatened, if not sacrificed, whenever a hospital strike has occurred.

Does recognition of a union of hospital workers necessarily subtract from management's authority in a hospital? New York hospitals say it does and for a time carried nonrecognition to the point of refusing to enter the same room with union negotiators — an inflexible position which cost them a measurable share of the public sympathy that flows naturally to the hospital side in a labor dispute. Unquestionably, most hospital people would agree with the New York view that hospital unions are a threat to hospital responsibility, and many would applaud the intransigence that has been

mistaken for arrogance on the part of the hospitals. But there are some hospitals elsewhere which have dealt with unions for years and will testify that no loss of authority has occurred and no threat to responsibility exists. There are good and bad unions, according to this testimony, even as there are good and bad hospitals, and it is just as absurd to attribute the sins of bad unions to good unions as it would be to consider the Peter Bent Brigham Hospital an abortion mill.

Whatever hospital people think, it seems likely that hospital labor is going to be organized. What has happened in New York could happen wherever workers are ill-paid and hospitals are uncompromising, and there may be many such places. Some good hospitals may be hurt, as some good hospitals in New York and elsewhere have been hurt already, by bad unions, or bad tactics, or both. Where hospital people have the will and the wisdom to understand that they cannot serve

the sick by debasing the worker, and where union leaders have the will and the wisdom to understand that they cannot serve the worker by harming and harassing the sick, it should be possible to develop some mechanism or agreement, short of an industrial union contract, that will protect the worker and safeguard the sick. Then truth will dwell on both sides, and virtue will shine unshadowed on all who are doing God's work of helping the sick and raising the downtrodden.

## PICTURES TELL THE STORY OF STRIKE AGAINST NEW YORK HOSPITALS



Photographs, Courtesy New York Daily News.

**ABOVE: INSIDE LOOKING OUT.** Charles Gellman, director of Beth David Hospital, New York, in his office at the hospital. When the strike began, Mr. Gellman had the cot moved in and took up residence for the duration.



**ABOVE: OUTSIDE LOOKING IN.** A laundry helper, accompanied by her two-year old daughter, waits to take her place in the picket line in front of Beth Israel Hospital. Pickets' signs protest the hospital's salary scale.



Robert La Branche, publicist at the Lenox Hill Hospital, operates an elevator, while another member of the staff helps direct visitor traffic.



A member of the nursing staff of Mount Sinai Hospital at work in the hospital laboratory. Her volunteer assistant on the job is her mother.



Youngsters also serve as volunteers during the strike. Here, two students man the mops in the dietary department of Lenox Hill Hospital.





John P. Preston

***This program, sponsored by the Hospital Council of Southern California, is open to all area hospitals.***

***It is designed to bring order to a chaotic pricing structure and to make charges understandable to patients***

## ***Uniform System of Charging Is Accepted by 94 Hospitals in Southern California***



W. Glenn Ebersole



Percy F. Riggs



Samuel G. Tibbitts

LOS ANGELES. — Hospitals in Southern California are busy restudying their costs and altering their daily service and other basic charges to conform to a new program that will go into effect June 30.

Purpose of the program is to make hospital costs and charges readily understandable to patients.

The program, based on procedures and recommendations known as the "Guiding Principles for Establishing Hospital Charges," will result in a uniform system of charging for hospital care — a system related to the cost of furnishing that care. Considerable shifting of charges is expected.

For example, some participating hospitals have already reported a decrease in their ancillary charges and a corresponding increase in charges for room and board, now referred to as the daily hospital service charge.

To date, 94 hospitals in the Southern California area have agreed in writing to comply with the principles. Although the program is sponsored by the Hospital Council of Southern California, all hospitals in the area — whether members of the council or not — were invited to participate. Those complying include voluntary, proprietary, split staff (M.D.'s and osteopaths), osteopathic, district and county hospitals. According to John P. Preston, past president of the council and director of Inter-Community Hospital, Covina, the 94 hospitals already enrolled represent more than 70 per cent of all hospital beds in the area.

The program does not establish uniform charges. Nor does it set rates. It does, however, go beyond a statement of broad principles and outline specific procedures designed to establish uniformity of method of charging.

### ***The Principles***

Here, in brief, are the principles underlying the program:

1. Only services ordered by the attending physician or routine procedures established with medical staff approval are charged to the patient. Charges for professional services rendered by physicians or special duty nurses are not included. These charges may be billed separately by the person providing the services or by the hospital acting as a billing agent.

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2. Government and voluntary community agencies should pay the full cost of contracted hospital services.

3. Hospital rates should be based upon and reasonably related to the full cost of operation. They should include proportionate overhead costs, such as laundry, linen, housekeeping, engineering, maintenance and repair, admitting, accounting, depreciation, insurance, taxes, utilities and similar items.

4. A general service charge should be established for all commonly used services and supplies provided in relatively equal quantities to patients.

5. Premium rates may be established for de luxe accommodations, i.e. accommodations in excess of those required for hospital care or for privacy.

6. Uniform unit rates should be established for special or ancillary services (such as laboratory, x-ray, pharmacy) and for supplies that are not

provided in relatively equal amounts to all patients. These unit rates are only for services and supplies that cost enough to justify making a separate charge. To simplify the rate structure, units may be combined into a flat rate.

7. Regardless of the source of reimbursement, hospitals must furnish an accounting that is readily understandable to each patient. Where special gifts, endowments, grants and tax subsidies have been designated specifically to underwrite the care of patients, such income should be used for its designated purpose and amounts allowed to the individual patient should be indicated on each account.

8. Each hospital accepting these principles must make available to patients an explanation of what is included in its own daily hospital service charge and other charges.

(Participating hospitals must agree

to maintain at the business desk a standard loose-leaf book listing all services included in its basic charges. This list must include services for which separate charges will not be made as well as those services for which a charge will be made.)

### **Their Implementation**

These principles have been implemented by a specific method of setting charges. All hospitals subscribing to the program, for example, have agreed to the following listing of items and services that will be charged to the patient on a standard basis.

**Daily Hospital Service.** This term replaces the phrase "room and board." The change was made because of the inadequacy of the phrase "room and board" to describe the basic services offered daily to each patient. Daily Hospital Service, based on a 24 hour day, includes:

1. Room, complete linen service, meals, therapeutic diets, and nourishments.

2. General nursing service and services of trainees — interns, residents and student nurses.

3. Medical record and admitting service.

4. The use of hospital equipment and instruments, such as thermometers, proctoscopes, laryngoscopes, blood pressure apparatus, gloves, tongue blades, and similar items used for the examination of patients.

5. Treatments such as Sitz baths and infrared lamp treatments which are not provided through the physical therapy department.

6. Routine drugs such as aspirin; drugs of the acetylsalicylic acid family including APC Compound and Empirin Compound.

7. Simple laxatives; merthiolate and similar antiseptics.

8. Routine supplies such as cotton balls, cellulose wipes, syringes, needles and maternity pads in the maternity department.

9. Hot bags, frozen bags, and rubbing alcohol.

10. Administration of medications.

The foregoing services are included in the nursery charge for newborn infants.

**Pharmacy Service.** Pharmacy charges include the cost of drugs prescribed by the attending physician and the services of registered pharmacists and other pharmacy personnel.



### **A Lawyer Looks At the Program**

**James E. Ludlam**

As legal counsel for the California Hospital Association and its spokesman before legislative committees, I have been faced with the fact that the public and its representatives do not understand the problems faced by hospitals in maintaining an ever improving quality of care during a period of spiraling costs. This problem is made more acute by the existence of many hospital charges that are obviously unrelated to cost as well as "nuisance" charges that have been developed on a hit-or-miss basis in order to avoid increasing the room rate. The wide variation in the basis for charging has only confirmed the suspicion of many that hospitals are

not only unbusinesslike but are actually engaged in highly questionable practices.

Our success in overcoming these impressions will be immeasurably improved by the voluntary adoption of "The Guiding Principles." Both the legislature and the public have great sympathy for an industry that is really attempting to resolve its own problems. Testimony showing positive action is worth a thousand letters and telegrams on the negative side.

The hospital council committee has made a major contribution in strengthening the hospital position and standing in this state, provided that its program receives the unqualified support of its members, which is apparently forthcoming.

James E. Ludlam is legal counsel for the California Hospital Association.

Drugs should be charged at no more than the average retail price for which they could be purchased in the same dosage at a pharmacy in the community.

**Central Service.** Central service includes the cost of supplies and the cost of preparing, handling and storing the supplies.

There may be a separate charge for treatment trays, dressings and the use of equipment as ordered by the attending physician.

**Operating Room Service.** The operating room charge is based on the amount of time the patient is in the operating room and upon the type of operation. Major operations are more costly than minor operations in terms of labor, supplies and equipment. The operating room charge should reflect this difference in cost. The charge includes:

1. The services of qualified technical personnel.

2. Linen, instruments, equipment and routine supplies such as sutures, gloves and bandages.

3. The use of the recovery room.

There may be a special charge for nonroutine surgical supplies such as hip pins, bone nails, bone plates, tantalum mesh, and so forth, including the cost of preparing, storing and handling such supplies.

A separate charge may be made to cover the cost of anesthetic supplies used during the operation.

**Delivery Room and Labor Room Service.** The delivery room and labor room charge is a flat rate charge. It includes services of technical personnel and use of equipment, anesthetic supplies, routine drugs and supplies, and linen used in labor and delivery rooms.

**Professional Service.** X-ray, physical medicine, laboratory, electroencephalography, electrocardiography, and so on, are professional departments and the fee, as charged, should be based upon the usual and customary charges in the area. As a method of simplifying billing procedures and as a convenience to patients, it is recommended that this fee be assigned by the medical specialist to the hospital for collection. This procedure has been approved by the California Medical Association and the California Hospital Association.

**Blood Transfusion Service.** The supplying of blood to patients is a



## An Administrator Looks At the Program

Ritz E. Heerman

This program is one of the first attempts by hospitals outside of the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Hospitals to set standards for hospital operation and to provide for the control of these standards on a voluntary basis. A basis for uniform rate structures is something that many of us have been promoting for years. The ramifications of such a program are many; among them are:

1. It produces a greater understanding of hospital charges by consumers.

2. It allows for more efficient actuarial study, thereby producing better insurance coverage for the patient.

3. It provides standards by which grievances can be adjudicated.

4. It strongly indicates to the pub-

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lic that hospitals are capable and sufficiently interested to not only increase standards of hospital care, but also to control hospital charges through uniformity and joint action.

I believe that although this is just one more positive step in the direction of maintaining and expanding the voluntary hospital system, it is extremely significant when combined with uniform accounting and comparative cost reporting. Further, there is evidence in Southern California that this program will not only beneficially affect member medical hospitals of approved organizations, but also other hospitals in the community. Last, there can be no doubt that if such a uniform program were in effect in all states of the union, such incidents as we have had in Pennsylvania, Maryland, and so forth, might not have happened.

service and not a sale. A responsibility fee deposit may be requested to assure the replacement of blood and to cover any losses the hospital may suffer when it is necessary to purchase blood from private blood banks. If a deposit is required, the full amount of the deposit will be refunded when the blood is replaced.

Laboratory work such as typing, serology and cross-matching required in the processing of blood will be charged separately in the same manner as other laboratory services.

The hospital may make a single charge for the storage, handling and administration of blood.

**Personal Service.** Personal services such as telephone calls, guest meals and personal purchases will be

charged separately on the patient's account and so indicated.

A continuing committee of the Hospital Council of Southern California has the right, after due hearing, to recommend to the board of directors removal of any hospital deviating from the principles. A plaque is provided each hospital that accepts the principles.

### The Beginning

The program owes its origin at least in part to the tremendous increase in hospital facilities in Southern California. The number of hospitals in this area has more than doubled in the last 10 years. During this expansion, hospitals emphasized quality of care at the expense of relating indi-

vidual charges to actual costs. Room and board expenses steadily mounted, as elsewhere, and charges for these items were related more to going local rates than to their actual cost.

The absence of a standard system of charging in a period of great growth enabled a few hospitals to take advantage of the need for care by overcharging. This, as always, was difficult to prove. Differences in methods of charging for similar services in different hospitals confused patients. There appeared to be no criteria on which to judge complaints about charges from the public.

Studies undertaken by insurance companies and Blue Cross disclosed an excessive spread in costs for routine hospital services. Studies of tonsillectomies in 232 hospitals, for example, showed charges varying from a minimum of \$41.86 to a maximum of \$144.59.

In 1956 the hospital council organized an education and grievance com-

mittee to study the situation. The committee, under the chairmanship of the late Percy Riggs, former administrator of Hollywood Presbyterian Hospital, Los Angeles, found that charges for room and board were accounting for less and less of the total bill in many hospitals. Welfare funds indicated that payments had shifted from the former ratio of 50 per cent for basic charges and 50 per cent for ancillary charges to a ratio sometimes as high as 70 per cent for ancillary charges and 30 per cent for basic charges.

Items and services that were formerly included without special charge in the daily rate were moving over and appearing on the patient's bill as special charges. This marked an attempt by some hospitals to offset increased costs without raising the charges for room and board above the going rates of other hospitals in the area.

After two years of study, the committee recognized the need for a basic change in charge patterns. In the words of Samuel Tibbitts, present chairman of the committee and superintendent of California Hospital, Los Angeles, "The magnitude of the problems convinced the committee members that only a broad, frontal, fundamental approach could change the situation and put us in a position to tell the real story of hospitals and obtain increasing public understanding and confidence. This approach called for a complete set of operating responsibilities and ethics plus uniformity of relating charges, as set by each

acceptance of the principles will be a condition of membership in the council.

Insurance companies have been watching the plan closely and endorse its objectives as well as its approach. They have proposed gradual revisions of their large group contracts as soon as the average increase in daily service charges with concomitant reductions in ancillary charges are reported by accepting hospitals. Spokesmen say they anticipate that 18 months may be required to complete their renegotiations.

#### **Blue Cross Backs Plan**

Blue Cross of Southern California has also encouraged the program by donating time and facilities, although members who receive the service type of hospital coverage are not appreciably affected.

What results do the participants of the plan anticipate? Nothing spectacular in the area of cost reductions—at least, not yet. Says Glenn Ebersole, executive director of the Hospital Council of Southern California, "There is no claim or expectation that this program will reduce the legitimate costs for hospital care, especially at its outset. The program is the first step toward making costs understandable to all elements involved. It will provide a basis for evaluation or comparison between hospitals, help prevent even the small potential abuse by a few, and explain why hospital services plus charges for professional services ordered by the physician create necessarily a larger patient bill than the room and board charge the patient has too often been quoted in advance."

Although cost relief may not be a direct result of this collective venture, those who have been working with the program say that it will

- provide a healthy influence on hospitals whose costs are now out of line;

- provide a standard form for charging for hospital services that will make a hospital bill easily understandable;

- help refute charges that hospitals and Blue Cross are doing nothing about the high cost of hospital care;

- provide greater benefits for individuals enrolled in commercial insurance plans that provide relatively low room and board benefits. ■

### **A Physician Looks At the Program**

This is a very realistic and constructive approach and has been long overdue. I think the public doesn't object to charges when they realize the charges are legitimate. The public will now have an awareness of what they are getting and what elements really con-

stitute the cost of hospitalization. This will be very helpful to doctors in explaining to their patients the services included in hospitalization.—

William Quinn, M.D., president, Los Angeles County Medical Association.

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hospital, to the actual costs in that hospital."

#### **Set Target Date**

On Nov. 6, 1958, the recommendations of the committee were approved by the board of directors of the hospital council. A target date of June 30, 1959, was set for putting the complete project into effect.

Hospitals in the San Diego area have now made acceptance of the principles a condition of membership. In addition, the directors of the Hospital Council of Southern California have voted that, within three years,

# Rules That Bend Aren't Often Broken

**Efficiency in the hospital is not so much to be desired as effectiveness, suggests the author. What's more, he points out, the best way to obtain effectiveness is to give a little here and there rather than hang on to hard and fast regulations that provide no wiggle room**

**S. G. Hill**

**N**O MATTER how great the variations may be between the many types of administrative enterprise, one feature they have in common is the human relationship that arises from a number of people working in association. The most familiar pattern is, of course, that of the employer and employee or "master and servant," but other patterns occasionally arise.

One such pattern, for example, occurs when a number of people are working together in capacities of equal status and by coordination and cooperation rather than by command and instruction. Such a pattern is not very common. Even where it exists, it is usually subject to the doctrine of "*primus inter pares*" whereby one of the equal partners assumes a position approximating leadership for the purpose of the enterprise and becomes in effect "first among equals."

Both the relationships of "master and servant" and also "*primus inter pares*" find their place in the hospital world. The former relationship is more important and demands more attention, but the latter relationship is frequently found among hospital senior medical staffs, and its existence must not be ignored.

From the simpler and more frequent "master and servant" pattern it

is possible to adduce certain principles which should be observed and which, if neglected, will cause serious personnel disturbances and defects within an organization.

First, there is no doubt that the keynote of staff control must be fairness. This must come before ways of ensuring efficiency as such, because in the long run human beings will not react efficiently unless they are treated properly, which, in the circumstances of employment, means fairly. Personal favoritism and personal prejudices must not form part of any chief officer's attitude toward his staff.

If members of the staff feel that their success in the enterprise depends upon the uncertainties of the chief officer's personal attitude rather than upon their merits, they are bound to feel insecure. This in turn will detract from their performance. Furthermore, the more efficient officers will constantly seek to move elsewhere to find more stable conditions where their merits receive proper recognition.

## **Close to Efficiency**

An aspect of fair treatment must be the encouragement of initiative, and here we are coming closer to considerations of pure efficiency. Although it is probably true that industry and commercial undertakings have more to gain from the individual initiative of employees than, for example, the hospital service, nevertheless there is no

undertaking that is incapable of improvement at some point or another from action and ideas emanating not from the chief officer, but from those whose normal function is to obey rather than to give instructions.

Every organization should create an atmosphere in which ideas may readily permeate upwards and in which members of the staff are encouraged to take initiative (within reasonable limits) and not always to await instructions from above. This implies a willingness on the part of management to receive with patience a number of worthless suggestions and to overlook, or at least not to reprimand too harshly, actions taken by subordinates that lack maturity and judgment. There is, of course, room for the personal preference of the individual chief officer. One chief may prefer to give his staff more precise instructions, leaving less room for initiative and risking fewer mistakes, while another chief may prefer to issue only general instructions, giving his staff plenty of scope for using initiative and, incidentally, for making a fair quota of mistakes. No one probably can determine precisely where the line should be set, but a dynamic organization, such as a hospital, ought to leave room for initiative at most levels. In general, it is impossible to foresee the many possible happenings and developments in hospital administration. Therefore, it is unwise to attempt to plan to meet every contingency. Whether the de-

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## *The cook who drinks may be replaced by a cook who can't cook*

gree of initiative is small or large, it is important that each officer know when to obey instructions and when to act upon his own initiative.

Difficulty sometimes arises because of uncertainty as to what standard may reasonably be expected of various categories of workers. While this standard varies according to the type of worker concerned and according to labor conditions and other factors, it should always be remembered that perfection is not likely to be encountered. Hence, chief officers have to learn to settle for something less in their employes just as, it is hoped, a beneficent organization will apply similar principles to them. How much less than perfection constitutes a reasonable standard again depends upon so many factors that quantitative measurement is impossible. This point usually becomes relevant when the question of some misdemeanor arises.

In assessing general standards, the

employee should be assessed as a complete individual without too much emphasis upon the incident that gives rise to the assessment. It may be that Mr. X has a tendency to be rather late, but it may also be true that Mr. X is a loyal and competent worker who never minds working late if necessary. Nurse A may be rather careless and may have narrowly avoided making a serious mistake in the administration of a drug, but Nurse A may also be extremely kind to the patients and may inspire in them confidence which is not evoked by more efficient and less careless nurses. This is the sort of equation that must be looked at before too readily dismissing Mr. X for unpunctuality and Nurse A for carelessness. Before he dispenses with the services of those employes who have failed in some particular, the chief officer must always ask himself what will be the caliber of the employes with whom he replaces them. This might seem

highly materialistic and a somewhat cynical calculation, but it is an extremely relevant one and one which is not made with sufficient frequency. Too often the cook who is a little too fond of liquor is replaced by the cook who can't cook. It is mere prudence to take steps to prevent this from occurring. A major consideration in this matter is, of course, external labor conditions, and very real problems arise where (as in some cases in Great Britain) palpably substandard labor has to be retained because labor of higher efficiency would probably not be obtainable. This unfortunate aspect of the matter does not, of course, invalidate the general principle enunciated.

As it is with standards of performance, so it is with standards of general behavior and discipline. The degree of discipline appropriate to an undertaking varies with the nature of the undertaking and also with the traditions and outlook (national as well as local) of the particular organization. Discipline appropriate to the armed services is usually regarded as of a high standard, though this varies among the nations. On the other hand, a factory, works or commercial undertaking probably needs very little discipline in the usual sense and rests solely upon a general understanding that it is the management's job to hire and fire the workers and that workers are expected to carry out instructions issued, for technical rather than moral reasons. A hospital probably comes halfway between these two extremes. First, so far as nurses are concerned, many hospitals are also schools and, therefore, a degree of academic discipline is necessary. Also, as most student nurses are relatively young, a measure of parental discipline is also appropriate. So far as nurses and all other employes are concerned, a measure of discipline is necessary because of the urgency and importance of much of the work.

If a doctor orders a patient to be taken to the operating theater for an immediate operation and requests that x-rays and laboratory tests be made

### **What Happens When Principle Meets Principle**

One problem of particular difficulty that may be encountered in any type of organization and is sometimes incapable of satisfactory solution is the problem that arises when a departmental chief has acted hastily or unjustly toward one of his subordinates and the matter is referred to the chief officer by either party. Two excellent principles of administration are here diametrically opposed. First, the principle that the chief officer should do justice to all, and second, the principle that a chief officer should uphold the actions of his lieutenants. This type of conflict cannot really be settled satisfactorily in principle and one must fall back upon degree. If the miscarriage of justice or the situation of unfairness is of a minor character, then the chief officer should probably support his lieutenant in

the presence of the subordinate officer, though he might explain in private to the lieutenant that he has acted mistakenly and that on any future similar occasion his action will not be upheld. If the subordinate feels particularly aggrieved, the chief officer might explain that no organization can safeguard its employes against what appears to them to be minor injustices and miscalculations and that they must take the rough with the smooth in all walks of life. If, however, the lieutenant has been a party to some substantial miscarriage of justice, then the chief officer cannot support him, though he should point out to the subordinate the difficulties that accompany the responsibilities of the lieutenant and he should do what he can to minimize the damage that has been done. ■



## *The elastic approach is often preferable to cut and dried discipline*

available beforehand, it is important to the patient's cure that these instructions be precisely complied with. Similar considerations may not attach to a works manager's request that a consignment of goods should be moved by a certain time. General efficiency and courtesy should be sufficient to ensure compliance with the works manager's instructions, but these qualities are not reinforced by considerations of life and death which so often support similar apparently simple instructions in a hospital.

It is, perhaps, because hospital discipline has to be somewhat stricter than in some other organizations that it is important that disciplinary measures should be strictly related to what is necessary and should never extend into the realm of gratuitous interference with, and restriction of, the individuality of the employee. The allegedly rigid and unreasonable conditions applied to the nursing staffs of some hospitals has been a familiar subject of criticism. It is true that, in some hospitals, conditions constituted an unnecessary interference with the private affairs of the nurses, and prohibitions against friendships with other members of the staff (even more senior members of the nursing staff), and severe restrictions on personal liberty were difficult to justify. It must be remembered, however, that many of these rules belong to an age when the entire body of social outlook and opinion was very different from what it is at present, and it is most unlikely that unsatisfactory conditions of this nature are any longer encountered in English hospitals. The principle, however, is clear: Discipline should never go beyond the point which is necessary to assure the proper performance of the work of the hospital and the orderly conduct of life in the hospital community.

Administratively speaking, in the field of discipline and regulations, there is generally a choice between cut and dried conditions, on the one hand, and some degree of elasticity, on the other. For example, an employer may

take the view that because he never expects his employees to work late, he is entitled to insist that they are punctual in reporting for work. On the other hand, it is equally valid for an employer to say that he will not be fussy regarding a few minutes lateness or the granting of an hour or two off duty, provided the necessary work is done, even if this involves extra time on the part of the employee. Although it has the obvious dangers of uncertainty and ease of abuse, the second, more elastic, approach is probably more appropriate to the work of a hospital than the more rigid precise one.

### **When Not To Forgive**

Each chief officer will probably have his own assessment of the seriousness of the various misdemeanors that might be committed by members of the staff. Some chiefs can accept quite costly errors of judgment without violent reaction, but are moved to frenzy by minor inaccuracies arising from thoughtlessness or carelessness. In a hospital, the outcome of carelessness and mistake may be much more serious than in some other spheres, and so the value of careful work must be inculcated at every level. Anything involving dishonesty and lack of integrity must be dealt with severely. Second chances for such offenses cannot often be justified. Discourtesy and lack of consideration for patients should be placed high on the list of serious offenses — much higher than might be the case in other organizations. There is never any excuse for lack of courtesy and therefore the offense is an unnecessary one. In addition, people in the hospital are particularly in need of comfort, assurance and security. They are almost without exception in a condition of low morale and they are in a world that is extremely unfamiliar to them, though it is, of course, quite familiar to members of the staff. Accordingly, a brusque word or impatient comment can do much more harm to a patient than would be the case in other walks of life, and so kindness, consideration

and courtesy to patients and to all other persons within the hospital should be insisted upon by the chief officer. He cannot, of course, make impolite people courteous, but he can ensure that the consequences of discourtesy are uncomfortable.

The extent to which the private life of the hospital employee should be any concern of the hospital management poses a number of difficult social and ethical issues. While in general the hospital, like any other employing authority, must be concerned primarily with the work of the officer at the hospital rather than with the behavior of that officer away from the hospital, nevertheless the hospital cannot entirely ignore lapses in standards of behavior of its officers even when away from the hospital, as to do so might bring the hospital itself into disrepute.

Traditionally, hospitals are supposed to have concerned themselves too much with the personal affairs of their nurses, and relaxation in some former regulations is justified. It is obvious, however, that no hospital should completely ignore departures from commonly accepted standards of behavior on the part of members of its staff where such departures are notorious and obvious. Short of this, all hospital employees should be entitled to live their lives in their own way without interference or censure from their employing authority.

### **Who Should Do What**

Certain obvious principles should govern the deployment of staff and the selection of staff for particular assignments. Most human beings will work best at jobs they most enjoy. Within the narrow confines of an office or hospital department it is frequently possible to allocate work to some extent according to the preference of those who perform it. There are no particular rules for this; rather it is a matter of realizing that it is a good thing to fit square pegs into square holes and to develop a personal technic for doing it.

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**Union Official Rebukes Group Practice Critics;  
Says It's Not the Principle, It's the Money**

CHICAGO. — Fireworks were on display at the Tri-State Hospital Assembly here last month when a United Auto Workers spokesman sent up an incendiary-laden salvo that splattered against the fee-for-service system and "the holdout wing of the American Medical Association."

U.A.W. Vice President Leonard Woodcock supplied the fuse in a paper supporting hospital-centered group medical practice as the surest method to meet community health needs.

The paper was read by James Brindle, director of U.A.W.'s social security department.

"Group practice," Mr. Woodcock said, "is a form of heresy only in some medical circles." But, he added, there is evidence that the hard core of resistance in the A.M.A. to medical economics is softening.

"The hospital," he said, "is the best site for medical practice. It is the place where the quality of care is most susceptible to control and enhancement."

Warming up, he added, "And, fundamentally, it is the place where only those who are attempting to defend unthinkable high incomes; those who do not want to submit to reasonable controls; those who fear scrutiny, and those who do not want to accept the advance of modern medical science and technology have legitimate grounds for fear."

Mr. Woodcock said Sen. Wayne Morse's pending congressional investigation of medical care costs may help clarify the situation and wipe out fears planted by the holdout wing of the American Medical Association.

"It may take a public hearing," he said, "to show that when some pathologists, radiologists and anesthesiologists talk about fee-for-service prerogatives in resisting being on the hospital payroll, that what really is involved is an effort to obtain and preserve an entirely inordinate 'take.'"

"It's not the principle of the thing," he said, "it's the money. What is involved in many cases is profiteering in a monopoly status that many of these specialists enjoy in large hospitals. It may be a healthy thing to have the Senate subpoena some of the contracts of specialists with hospitals to see what is really at the heart of a controversy now cloaked in pseudo-ethical terms."

**Special reports on  
two regional meetings**

## **Big Issues**

Below: First-day mob scene at Tri-State registration desk prophesies large attendance—over 8000.



Statue of Brigham Young  
dominates the scene  
in Salt Lake City, Utah

## Examined by Dr. Nelson

CHICAGO. — A refreshing change from convention orators who list the problems confronting hospitals and then hide the solutions behind an impenetrable wall of clichés was provided by Dr. Russell A. Nelson at the opening general session of the Tri-State Hospital Assembly. Dr. Nelson is president-elect of the American Hospital Association and director of Johns Hopkins Hospital, Baltimore.

The three-day meeting, April 27 to 29, sponsored by the state hospital associations of Illinois, Indiana, Michigan and Wisconsin, attracted an estimated 8500 persons, who found the wet, raw Chicago weather more conducive to exhibit-seeing than sight-seeing.

Instead of warmed-over truisms suggesting that everything will be all right if hospital people relax and stand still, Dr. Nelson served up a provocative and at times controversial mixture of ideas and suggestions.

Here are key points from Dr. Nelson's presentation, a presentation based, as he put it, "on ideas and judgments from my own experience."

— Radiology and pathology departments should be kept within the hospital and under Blue Cross.

"Because of the basic medical nature of their services," he said, radiologists and pathologists must be accorded the dignity and respect given other members of the medical staff. But, he cautioned, "we must be firm in our resolve to continue these services within the hospital and under Blue Cross — even under extreme pressure."

This arrangement must remain, Dr. Nelson said, because "it strengthens the hospital organization and because it provides these services at the lowest cost to the public."

— More controls for hospitals lie ahead.

"The ominous major implication of the recent public hearings is that more controls are in the offing for hospitals," he said, and the threat of these potential controls must be met. These controls, he added, are likely to come "through insurance commissioners, who control payment devices and consequently control the quality of care. The end result would be state control of the voluntary hospital system."

"If external controls are brought to bear on hospitals," he said, "the ultimate result will be a limiting of services."

What is needed and needed now, he suggested, is a program for self-control. The mechanism for such a pro-



### Western Program Features Lecture on Leadership, Report on U.S.S.R. Hospitals

SALT LAKE CITY. — The 29th annual convention of the Association of Western Hospitals here last month got under way with a short history of western civilization. The historian was President Ernest L. Wilkinson of Brigham Young University, Provo. In a wide-ranging lecture on administrative leadership, Dr. Wilkinson at one time or another quoted or referred to Julius Caesar, Justinian, Henry II, Calvin Coolidge, President Eliot of Harvard, Napoleon, George Washington, Franklin D. Roosevelt, Senator Smoot, Senator Smoot's grandfather, Abraham Lincoln, Secretary Seward, Thomas Jefferson, James Madison, President Monroe, President Eisenhower and Brigham Young, "under whose leadership the desert came to blossom as the rose."

These and other leaders demonstrated the essential qualities for strong administrative leadership, according to Dr. Wilkinson, who said the strong administrator must be realistic, decisive, confident, inspiring and dedicated.

Demonstrating endurance, the audience then heard Professor James A. Hamilton of the University of Minnesota plead for more fact and less opinion in administrative acts and decisions. Hospital administration includes too much imitation and too little research, Professor Hamilton said. "If we want to be a profession with our own body of knowledge, we must start now to record the facts of our experience," he warned.

The facts about hospitals in the U.S.S.R.

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gram, he said, "exists in our state hospital associations, which can provide urgently needed controls."

— **Hospitals must not relinquish their authority to the government.**

"Hospitals," said Dr. Nelson, "must give up a little sovereignty to each other, but they must not relinquish their authority and sovereignty to the government." What is needed, he said, is something the government cannot provide — locally based administration that "really knows the health needs of individual communities."

— **A new system of hospital-physician relationships must be developed.**

"The traditional role of the physician in the hospital must be assessed," he said. "We have been operating the 1920 version for too long."

Trouble is, he said, that wherever this reappraisal of the relationship is suggested, "there are the usual cries of hospital domination, regimentation, third-party intervention and salaried medicine." Hospitals, he added wryly, "should be concerned but not regulated by these outcries."

#### **A.C.H.A. Plans "Who's Who" for Publication in 1960**

Those of us who are wondering who's who in the hospital field have only to wait until next year. A "Who's Who in Hospital Administration" is being undertaken by the American College of Hospital Administrators, it was announced by Ray E. Brown, A.C.H.A. president-elect. In a summary of the College's projects for the coming year, presented at a luncheon conference of the A.C.H.A. held in conjunction with Tri-State Hospital Assembly, Mr. Brown said that the book is scheduled for publication sometime in 1960.

In the past, Dr. Nelson said, the physician has been set apart from the hospital's administration. Now physicians are often considered "guests in the hospital privileged to serve patients."

The simple division of "medical affairs managed by physicians and management affairs managed by the administration is really not so simple," he said. "Physicians must have more responsibility and authority in the day-to-day operation of hospitals."

He suggested that physicians should be called upon to make economic as well as medical reviews and listed four ways to bring doctors closer to the hospital and provide them with background information on economic decisions.

1. Physicians on boards of trustees.
2. Physicians appointed to administrative offices.
3. Special medical committees organized on economic matters.
4. Changes in the charges and responsibilities of exist-

ing medical staff committees so that they can officially consider hospital economic matters.

— **Collective bargaining should be kept out of the hospital.**

"Hospitals have a responsibility to keep collective bargaining out of the hospital," he said, speaking particularly of nursing personnel, "for it is not profits, nor management, but critically ill patients who may be harmed."

— **Health needs of the aged must be met.**

Existing hospitals, said Dr. Nelson, "are not ideal places for medical care of the aged. Other institutions are needed under the sponsorship of hospitals."

Although he did not rule out the possibility of government intervention in this area, Dr. Nelson said that no federal action should be taken until prepayment plans have had every chance to solve the problems of financing the health needs of the aged. "Voluntary prepayment plans, hospitals and the medical profession must show that they can meet this challenge," he said.

— **Research in hospital administration is needed.**

Research in better hospital management is certainly needed, Dr. Nelson said, along with new ideas in communications. "Here," he said, "hospitals and government have an effective relationship. The estimated research in hospitals will total \$1 billion by 1970 with the government contributing the greater share."

The growing significance of research in hospitals was also examined "in crude financial terms" by Dr. Aims C. McGuinness, who preceded Dr. Nelson at the lectern. Dr. McGuinness, special assistant to the Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare, said that a recently concluded survey disclosed that "about 1100 hospitals were doing research in 1959. Roughly 700 of these," he said, "were in the 'small beginnings' stage with under \$25,000 in research. Nearly 200 more were in the \$25,000 to \$100,000 range, he said, and more than 160 had research programs in excess of \$100,000."

Blue Cross is providing 34 per cent of patient income for hospitals today, Richard M. Jones, director of the Blue Cross Commission, Chicago, told a Tri-State symposium on small hospital problems. Twenty-nine per cent of patient income is from patients and families paying their own bills, Mr. Jones added. Other sources are: commercial insurance, 26 per cent; government, 6 per cent, and other sources, 4 per cent.

For most hospitals, the practical effects of the growth of insurance have been to stabilize sources of revenue, increase paper work in the office, and replace the credit department with an insurance clerk, Mr. Jones said.

Small hospitals definitely can afford punch-card accounting, Douglas M. McNabb, administrator of the Emma L. Bixby Hospital at Adrian, Mich., told a conference on hospital accounting. A complete punch-card installation at his 124 bed hospital has not actually effected economies, Mr. McNabb acknowledged. However, he pointed out, better control of accounts receivable made possible by the mechanical accounting system had resulted in savings.

The most important value of the mechanical accounting method is in the administrative controls it provides, Mr. McNabb said. "The punch-card system talks back to management," he stated. Among the results of the installation at the Bixby Hospital, he listed:

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## Aphorisms from the conventions

**M**ANAGEMENT by exception is one of the best ways to run any business. Why worry about the normal or current accounts when you should actually be concentrating your efforts on those accounts that appear to be in trouble?

**T**HEORETICALLY speaking, any clerical operation can be mechanized. Practically speaking, a large portion can be mechanized. Economically speaking, only a few can be mechanized. The question is not "how to mechanize" but rather "what to mechanize."

**T**HE purchasing agent who is consistently in a legal hassle over contracts with suppliers is no credit to his institution or to the purchasing profession.

**W**E MUST be fully aware of and quickly correct an old and persistent notion that long-term or chronically ill persons are all in the older age bracket. As a matter of fact, approximately 16 per cent of persons with chronic disease are under 35 years of age.

**A** PRACTICAL approach to the preparation of a news release is to study the newspapers. Find out how other similar events have been written up, then write your own using the others as a model. Enlist the aid of a professional when you have a really important event.

**I**T HAS been said, "Use the law and physic only in case of necessity. They that use them otherwise abuse themselves into weak bodies and light purses; they are good remedies, bad recreations, but ruinous habits."

**W**E OFTEN assume that because we in administration know what is going on, our hospital family knows it too. That can be a dangerous assumption.

**T**HE obstetrical department is frequently the orphan child of the hospital — repository for patched gloves, bent Kelly clamps, needles with fish hooks on the end, and the anesthesia equipment that is too good to throw away and too outmoded to use in the operating room.

**F**OR the unionized hospital, the building of good morale is an important function of both general administrative people and personnel administrators, and union leaders approve the effort. For the nonunionized hospital, the current union drive illustrates the pressures

that administrators are under to put their house in order themselves without force from the outside.

**T**HE inclusion of representatives of the medical staff on the hospital planning team not only will bring out fresh ideas, but will improve the doctors' understanding of the physical and financial limitations on hospital construction.

**O**NE would be a fool to suggest that every hospital have a director of public relations whose sole job was to direct public relations. But he would be equally foolish if he failed to advocate that each hospital have an ongoing public relations program.

**I**T HAS now become a little old-fashioned to assume that every patient who enters a hospital must be bedridden and waited on hand and foot.

**T**HE first year of a new hospital's operation places excessive demands upon department heads. Therefore, their selection is the single most important task of the administrator in the year preceding the opening.

**T**HERE is quite an art to simple yet complete reporting to the board of trustees. Some trustees sit diligently through meeting after meeting with explanation after explanation by the administrator, yet absorb absolutely nothing regarding the facts of hospital operation. The administrator must become a master in the presentation of facts and figures along with charts and statistics in order to make a total presentation understandable and meaningful.

**O**NE need not be hit over the head by a criticism or feel the elation of a compliment to understand that public relations is *now, today*—not something we had in the past or hope to have sometime in the future.

**M**AYBE we shouldn't worry so much about tomorrow's hospital. It is more to the point to get the right hospital today — by studying all the problems and providing creative solutions.

**P**AYING the architect on the basis of a percentage of total construction costs is archaic, unwieldy and impractical. And it offers a temptation for the architect to be careless in his figuring since his percentage rises with the costs.



### Three Plus One Equals Three at Tri-State Hospital Assembly

The Tri-State Hospital Assembly, which represents four states, owes its inaccurate title to tradition rather than poor arithmetic. Here's how it happened. The original three states—Illinois, Indiana, Wisconsin—kept the title Tri-State Assembly even after the fourth state, Michigan, was admitted as a co-sponsor in 1940.

"Tri-State had become such a fixed expression in the minds of hospital personnel," said Leo Lyons, assembly program director, "that it was decided not to change the name of the organization."

Shown at right is Dr. Russell A. Nelson, A.H.A. president-elect, addressing opening session. Below: Sister Ernestine Mersek (left) and Sister Grace Marie of St. Margaret's Hospital, Spring Valley, Ill.



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1. Prompt and accurate patient billings, providing improved control of revenues.
2. Rapid, accurate and complete reporting of accounts receivable, reducing losses on receivables to less than one-half of 1 per cent.
3. Provision of a complete "activity register" on all open accounts.
4. Monthly "aged" trial balance of receivables.
5. Improved, rapid payroll operation.
6. Improved inventory control, including periodic "stock status" reports.
7. Complete medical record index reports.
8. Greater flexibility in all accounting and statistical operations.

Hospitals do an inadequate job of screening medical admissions, Dr. Robert Mustell of Chicago, chairman of the Chicago Medical Society's emergency medical service, charged at one of the general assembly meetings. Many patients are admitted to hospitals who could be cared for adequately in their homes or in doctors' offices, Dr. Mustell said. Especially, he declared, patients admitted for diagnostic work-ups could often be spared the expense of hospitalization, since these services could be rendered by physicians using their own laboratory facilities.

Dr. Mustell's opinion was challenged by George Bugbee, president of the Health Information Foundation, New York, who said more accurate information is needed to substantiate the charge that hospital facilities and services are "overused."

Dr. Mustell described the emergency medical service through which the Chicago Medical Society has provided physicians from a panel of its members in 43,000 cases. He urged organization of similar medical services in other communities as a means of reducing unnecessary demand on hospital services.

Replying to a question from the audience, Mr. Bugbee described "progressive patient care" as a valuable experiment that should be continued. However, he added, the experiment to date has not produced evidence demonstrating that economies can be effected through progressive patient care.

"Thus I would urge hospitals not to invest large sums in facilities planned for progressive patient care and not adaptable to conventional services," he concluded.

At another session, Dr. Aims C. McGuinness urged progressive patient care on hospitals as a method of tailoring hospital services to individual patient needs. Under the present system hospitals categorize medical services, Dr. McGuinness said. "The approach should be instead: 'What do the people, as individuals, need?'" he stated.

Discussing progressive patient care, a conference of hospital administration students examined all aspects of the plan and concluded it offers many possibilities for improved patient care, if not savings in hospital operations. Actually, progressive patient care is not a new concept, Charles A. Markel, Northwestern University student, told the conference. A similar approach to the organization of hospital services prompted the introduction of group nursing in hospitals during World War I, and other elements of the concept appeared even earlier, he pointed out.

(For additional stories and pictures on the regional meetings, see pages 176, 178, 184 and 186.)

## **The plan puts supplies where the patients are**

**E**VERY patient who is sick enough to enter a hospital is sick enough to want, and need, attentive personal nursing care. This theory underlies the design of Holy Cross Hospital, now under construction in San Fernando, Calif., where every room will be private and, in effect, an intensive nursing unit when and if the patient's



Architect's rendering of Holy Cross Hospital, now under construction in San Fernando, Calif. See also color reproduction of rendering on this month's cover.

## THE AUTOMAT PLAN SAVES MONEY BY SAVING LABOR

condition requires it. The theory that all patients deserve attentive personal nursing care is one with which few administrators would quarrel — at least out loud. "So who's arguing?" is likely to be the reaction when someone advances it. "But we've got to face facts. The nursing shortage, remember? And labor costs! And what do you think it would cost to build a hospital like that?"

What the Sisters of the Holy Cross, Gordon Friesen, the hospital consultant, and Architects Verge and Clatworthy\* think is that such a hospital will cost no more to build than a traditional structure — and that the cost of operating it will be lower in the long run because they will use machines and equipment to save the most valuable commodity of all — nursing time. They also think that private rooms will afford the patients protection from the hazards of cross-infection.

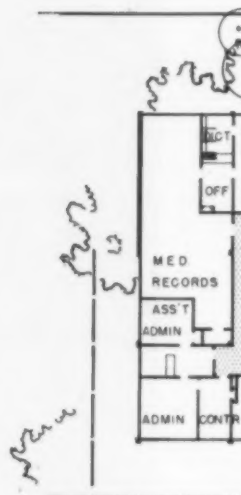
The design and equipment of the Holy Cross Hospital is a logical extension of the "Automat" system worked out by Mr. Friesen first at the United Mine Workers hospitals and later at the Berwick Hospital, Berwick, Pa.\*\* Clean prepackaged supplies are brought to a central point to which nurses, and other employees, can come and be sure of finding all the supplies and materials they need without loss of time or steps. Like the Mine Workers and Berwick hospitals, Holy Cross will have a master dispatching and processing center on the ground floor (see plan) and smaller supply cores on each floor. But something new has been added, in fact, several somethings.

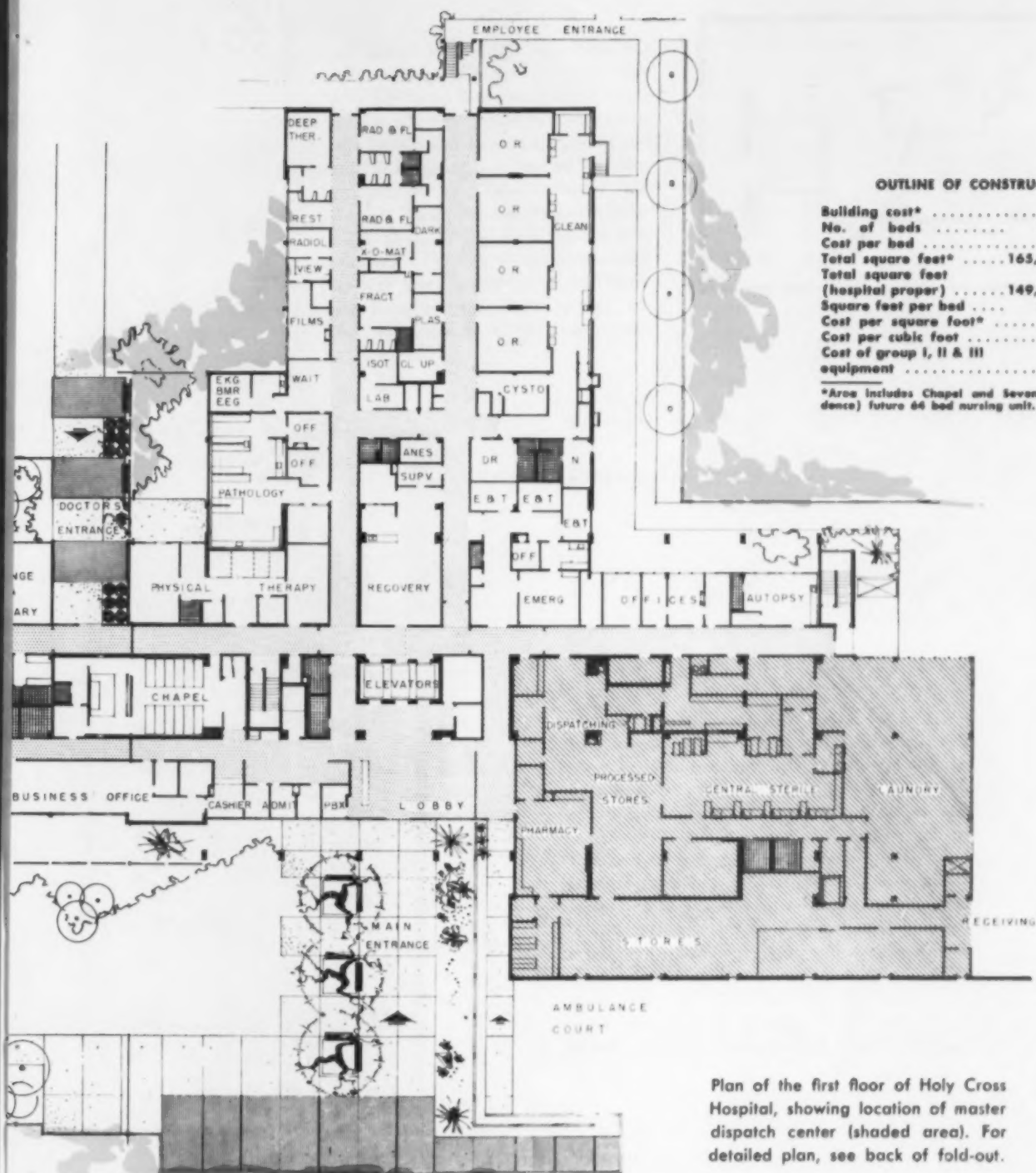
First is a double pass-through cabinet for each patient's room, built on the principle of a hotel "servidor" into which all linens and supplies required to care for the patient can be placed from the corridor side and removed, as they are needed, from the room side. This cabinet, which is divided into clean and dirty sections, opens into a small, enclosed area which houses a toilet,

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\*Holy Cross Hospital, San Fernando, Calif., is being built by the Sisters of the Holy Cross, Notre Dame, Ind. Consultant for the project is Gordon Friesen and Associates, Washington, D.C.; architects are Gene Verge & R. N. Clatworthy, Architects & Associates, Los Angeles, Calif. Plans and technical information for this article were supplied by Sister Mary Gerald, general treasurer of the Sisters of the Holy Cross, the consultant and architects, and by the Lamson Corporation, Syracuse, N.Y., American Sterilizer Company, Erie, Pa., and the Sonic Energy Laboratories of Bendix Aviation Corporation, Davenport, Iowa.

\*\*See Automat Plan Puts All Supplies in One Place, The Modern Hospital, September 1957.





#### OUTLINE OF CONSTRUCTION COSTS

Building cost*	\$4,275,000
No. of beds	251
Cost per bed	18,135
Total square feet*	165,778
Total square feet (hospital proper)	149,339
Square feet per bed	596
Cost per square foot*	23
Cost per cubic foot	1
Cost of group I, II & III equipment	701,550

\*Area includes Chapel and Seventh Floor (Sisters' Residence) future 64 bed nursing unit.

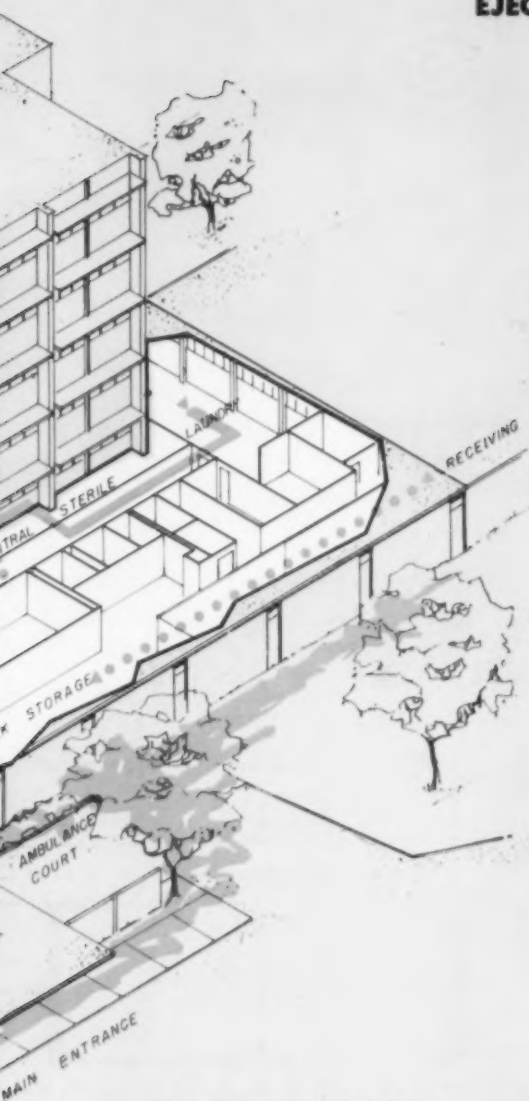
Plan of the first floor of Holy Cross Hospital, showing location of master dispatch center (shaded area). For detailed plan, see back of fold-out.

### Sisters' Real-

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## EJECTOR SYSTEM SENDS TRAYS TO FLOORS



The hospital presented here has been selected as The Modern Hospital of the Month by a committee of editors. Award certificates have been presented to the hospital, the architects, and the state agency. A similar award will be made each month.

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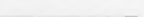


lavatory and shower as well as a utility section for the nurses. (See description by Sister Mary Gerald on page 85.)

Installation of the cabinets represents the achievement of Mr. Friesen's long-cherished goal of putting supplies where the nurses are. It is his conviction that the nurse's place is at the patient's bedside and the way to keep her there is to give her what she needs where she needs it, so that her time is spent looking after the patient, not looking for supplies. At Holy Cross Hospital, it is explained, the nurse should be able to go from one patient to the next, giving care, without ever having to double back to the floor supply core. In the event that some needed item is missing from the room cabinet, the nurse will have only to press a button and call the floor dispatching center to deliver it. While she is waiting, she can get on with other aspects of the patient's care.

Distribution of supplies to the floors from the central dispatching center is still another refinement of Mr. Friesen's efforts to get materials to their destination with expenditure of the least energy by the fewest people. This will be achieved by an automatic ejector system incorporated into the tray conveyors, which will permit automatic unloading at any patient floor. (See isometric drawing at left.) The automatic ejector has a capacity of eight trays per minute, with a 40 pound load per tray. Supplies will be assembled on standard aluminum cafeteria-style trays, 16½ by 22½ inches. When the trays are ready to go to the floors, they will be loaded on the horizontal belt, the dispatcher will push the proper button, and then the conveyor will take over and deliver the trays to the selected floors where they will emerge on a storage con-

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## MASTER DISPATCHING CENTER

CLEAN SUPPLIES   
 NEW SUPPLIES   
 PROCESSED SUPPLIES   
 SOILED ITEMS   
 SOILED DISHES   
 STERILE SUPPLIES   
 MEDICINE   
 UNPREPARED FOOD 



# PROCESSING SOILED EQUIPMENT HELPS REDUCE BACTERIAL COUNT AND PREVENT THE

Below: Enlarged plan of the Holy Cross Hospital master dispatching center and related services, i.e. clean-up, decontamination, preparation, sterilizing and storage. Coded lines show how soiled and clean supplies move in and out of the department. Items that enter the soiled receiving area come on the conveyor which dispenses loaded trays automatically onto a roller topped table. Linen and dry goods go to laundry; waste and refuse go to the incinerator. The soiled-receiving area is a decontaminating area; all items coming in are sterilized in two double-door autoclaves after being cleaned and before entering clean preparation area. The technic is described in greater detail below.

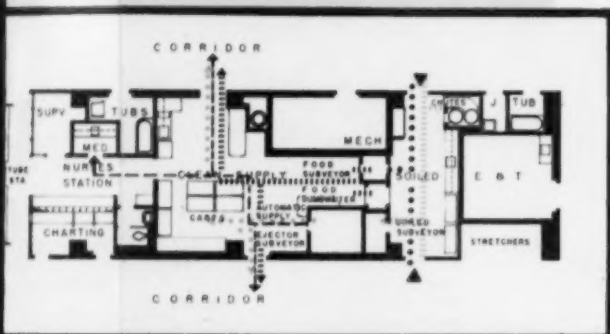


SUPPLY CORE



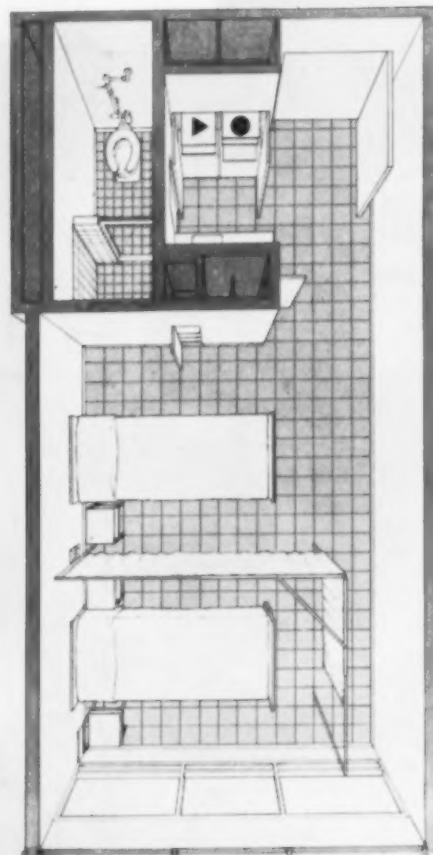
Cleaning equipment in the soiled area will consist of a clinical hopper sink, a pair of manual wash sinks, automatic mechanical utensil washer, automatic mechanical laboratory glass washer, ultrasonic cleaner, and a large combination action ultrasonic cleaner that cleans equipment by sonic waves combined with special germicidal detergent solution. The two sterilizers, both of the high-speed type, are equipped with high pressure steam and also equipped for ethylene oxide gas sterilization. Grossly soiled items, such as bedpans, are first checked and gross soil removed by brush and then disinfected in the clinical hopper sink. Items that require precise cleaning will be thoroughly processed in the ultrasonic cleaner. In ultrasonic cleaners,

## VENT THE SPREAD OF INFECTION



Left: Floor supply core on a typical patient floor, showing flow of clean and soiled supplies into and out of the area and relation of supply center to nurses' station and charting section. Clean supplies will be delivered to rooms at night and soiled supplies will be collected from rooms at intervals during the day and brought to soiled receiving area. Below: Drawing of patient's room indicates relation of patient's bed to "utility" section which includes toilet and shower and the clean-soiled cabinets.

TYPICAL BEDROOM

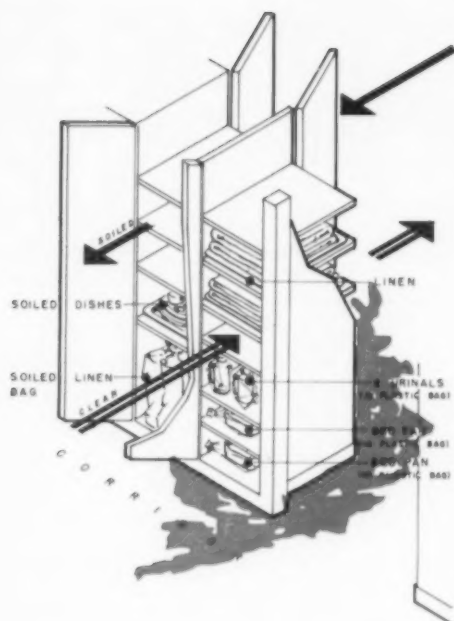


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waves of the proper type transmitted into a cleaning solution cause the solution to cavitate. Basically, this means that tremendous pressure differentials are set up. The energy released as these pressures move toward equilibrium literally tears soil from items immersed in the activated liquid. Combination of sonic energy with a germicidal solution will significantly reduce the bacterial count. In a sonically activated bath, energy imparted through cavitation removes and disperses the soils which normally mask the microorganisms. The bacterial clumps are broken up by the sound wave, thus exposing each bacterium to the germicide as a separate entity. Mixing action induced by sonic energy at locus of each micro-organism lowers concentration of waste products.

## DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM SAVES "RUNNING" TIME

*Sister Mary Gerald*



ISOMETRIC DRAWING OF  
PASS-THROUGH CABINETS

**H**OLY CROSS HOSPITAL, which is being built in the northern San Fernando Valley, will be owned and operated by the Sisters of the Holy Cross from Notre Dame, Ind. The hospital will provide a revolutionary system of supply that is estimated to save about 30 per cent of the nurses' valuable time.

The basic principle of time-saving for doctors and nurses is the placing of all supplies on a production-line system. Everything will emanate from a central area on the ground floor. This area will include central sterile supply, pharmacy, general stores, purchasing, linen and laundry and will have direct access to all departments. Supplies will be sent from a central dispatching area to various nursing units by means of an ejector belt similar to the type used in industry. This belt will deposit goods at a central supply core at each nurses' station even though the nurse may not be at the core to receive the goods. This will be a considerable improvement over the dumb-waiter system which requires that the nurse wait at the dumb-waiter for items ordered.

Countless hours of valuable time are lost in hospitals because nurses, aides and orderlies must obtain essential supplies from dozens of sources, generally remote from the surgery, delivery room, or patients' rooms. Transporting supplies in busy corridors and elevators by day results in confusion and waste of time. In Holy Cross Hospital much of this work will be handled at night.

Each patient's room will have an enclosed area immediately inside the entrance. This area will contain a wash basin, toilet and a built-in, counter-size cupboard (see cut at left). This cupboard, built in two sections, will be accessible from the patient's room and from the corridor. This makes it possible for the night force to deposit supplies needed for morning nursing care without entering the patient's room. The second section, also accessible from the corridor, is equipped with shelves for used supplies and a hamper section for soiled linen. Later, maids collect soiled linen and deposit it in the chutes available on each floor. These chutes open directly into the laundry.

Each patient's room will be equipped with a private shower. Early ambulation has decreased the need for bed baths and increased the need for shower facilities. The private shower enables the nurse to make the bed while the patient bathes, keeps her within calling dis-

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tance, and eliminates the need to walk with the patient to and from a general bathroom. Since nursing service is the largest segment of expense in the hospital's budget, the cost of individual showers will be amortized in a short time through the saving of nursing time.

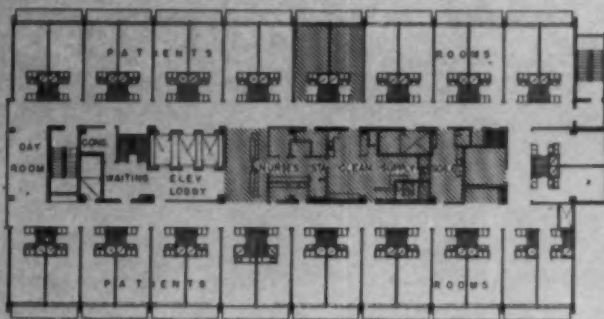
The hospital will be equipped with a pneumatic tube system. A tray conveyor will transport food. All patients' rooms will provide an excellent view of the towering mountains of the San Fernando Valley.

The entrance to the emergency department will be next to the main entrance. This location will enable the night attendant at the main lobby to see that emergency cases receive immediate attention. The emergency department adjoins the recovery room and surgery and provides for expansion into these areas in the event of an accident involving a large number of persons.

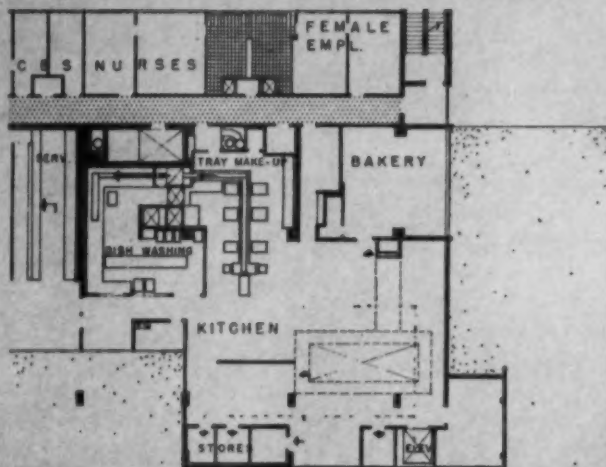
The chapel, located immediately off the lobby, will be convenient for patients, personnel and visitors. It will be soundproof.

The Sisters of the Holy Cross are dedicated to care for the physical, mental, social, spiritual and financial needs of their patients. Their dedication recognizes the moral obligation to discharge with economy and efficiency the responsibility of spending the millions entrusted to them for the care of the sick to whom they are privileged to minister. ■

### **Cost of Individual Showers Will Be Amortized Quickly Through the Saving of Nursing Time**



Plan of typical nursing floor shows central location of floor service core in relation to patient rooms. Patient rooms are provided with their own toilet, lavatory and shower facilities.



Plan of the food service department on the second floor. Food will be sent up from the kitchen on regular tray conveyors, supplemented by dumb-waiters when they are needed.

Capacity class of 57 attends Emerson Hospital refresher course for nurses twice a week. Here, the class members learn how new circular bed operates.



Edmund J. McTernan

## Refresher course earns its place on the budget

**A** REFRESHER course for professional nurses, opened at Emerson Hospital, Concord, Mass., in March, has, in the opinion of the administration, earned itself a place as one of the most worth-while items on the nursing budget.

The course had a threefold purpose. First, the course offered an opportunity for nurses who served in the hospital, either full time or part time, to learn new technics in a formal teaching situation. This was believed to be particularly valuable to the nurse who restricted herself to occasional special duty nursing. Second, there were many nurses in the community who had been inactive for some time who would feel more confident about returning to nursing if they had an opportunity to be brought up to date. It was believed that this would increase the pool of available nurses in the community, for both regular and

emergency service in the hospital. Finally, the hospital enjoys a reputation of being a modern and progressive institution, dedicated primarily to the needs of the community. The service and public relations value of the proposed course were believed to be considerable.

Emerson, an 85 bed general community hospital, is not primarily intended for teaching. However, it has been the philosophy of the administration that the presence of students increases the caliber of the care given. Affiliations have been arranged with a school of practical nursing for the training of student practical nurses, and with a junior college program for the clinical training of two-year professional nurses. In addition, regular formal training is offered to auxiliary nursing personnel, and a strong inservice program for all levels of nursing personnel is being developed.

To meet the needs occasioned by these programs, a division of nursing

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education has been established within the nursing department. The staff of this division consists of one supervisor and two part-time instructors — all registered nurses. Planning the new refresher course became the joint task of this supervisor and the assistant administrator in charge of nursing.

General policies for the establishment of the course were developed to meet our particular needs; they might vary greatly under other circumstances. These policies were:

1. The course would be open only to graduate professional nurses, but registration in the state was *not* required.

2. There would be no charge for attendance, nor would the nurse incur any obligation to the hospital in return for her participation.

3. The supervisor of nursing education would act as coordinator for the course; however, most lectures would be given by specialists in the area under study.

4. No limitations would be placed on the nurse's age, year of graduation, or when she was last employed in nursing, nor upon geographic location of residence.

5. Teaching would be by lecture and demonstration.

After the formulation of general policies, the next step was to set up the curriculum. To determine the topics most necessary, we compared present nursing school curriculums with those of some years ago; conferred with nurses to determine what they felt were important developments of the last several years, and searched the literature. Of unique value were the statements of some staff nurses who had returned to nursing recently after prolonged absences.

The material to be covered was then discussed with various local authorities in the medical, nursing and pharmaceutical fields, and the time to be devoted to each area was determined. It was felt that 40 hours would be adequate for the content of the original curriculum; since then, additional topics have been added, but it was possible to include them without increasing the total number of class hours. Original plans called for two separate sections of the course, *i.e.* a morning group and an evening group. This plan had to be abandoned because of the limited free time of several volunteer faculty members, and

only the evening session was offered. It was the consensus that two-hour sessions, each consisting of two 55 minute periods with a 10 minute break between them, were most practical. Local conditions dictated the choice of the hours of 7:30 to 9:30 p.m.

A faculty of 29 persons was then assembled, 24 of them volunteers who agreed to give one or two hour lectures on special subjects as a contribution to the hospital and the community. Of the 24, six are physicians from the hospital staff: a surgeon, an internist, an anesthesiologist, an orthopedist, a psychiatrist and a neurosurgeon. Two are nurse-instructors from the school of nursing of another hospital.

One is an inhalation therapy consultant from a chemical company. Three are representatives of medical equipment manufacturers. One is a public health nurse from the hospital's service area. Five are representatives

of ethical drug manufacturers. The remaining eight are all on the hospital staff, as follows: the operating room supervisor, the chief x-ray technician, the chief laboratory technician, the pharmacist, the dietitian, the physical therapist, the obstetrical supervisor, and an assistant administrator. The three paid faculty members were the three members of the nursing education staff. All hospital employees except the nursing education group served without pay on their off-duty time.

Announcement of the course was made through two releases to weekly newspapers in the surrounding communities, two weeks apart, and beginning about six weeks before the opening date of the course. It was anticipated that 12 to 20 persons would apply, and that publicity releases would go out approximately four times before the course began. Within four weeks, 55 applicants had registered — the maximum number possible be-

## Community hospital finds

Ruth A. Powers, R.N.

### Curriculum for South Nassau Course

Monday	9-10 a.m.	Medical lecture on cardiac illnesses, such as coronary, hypertensive heart disease, and so on.
	10-11 a.m.	Ward practice (experience with cases discussed).
	11-12 noon	Nursing in cardiac illnesses, including O <sub>2</sub> therapy demonstration.
Wednesday	9-10 a.m.	Chest surgery lecture (pathological and anatomical aspects) first of two lectures.
	10-11 a.m.	Ward practice.
	11-12 noon	Film "Open Heart Surgery."
Friday	9-10 a.m.	Nursing care of chest surgical cases with demonstration of underwater drainage, and so forth.
	10-12 noon	Ward practice "intensive care."

There are 20 hours of planned doctors' lectures, in addition to the showing of related films and filmstrips; 20 hours of nursing classes; 14 hours of ward practice, correlating the nursing and medical lectures; demonstrations by various drug and surgical supply companies, *i.e.* the portable lifter demonstration in conjunction with rehabilitation nursing.

cause of space limitations. An additional 15 had to be refused registration after the roster was filled to capacity. Further publicity designed to attract applicants was suspended. Of the 55 enrolled, 33 have been inactive. Several of these do not anticipate return to nursing except in emergencies; but several have indicated a willingness to do part-time work. Ten are employed in other hospitals. They represent 35 schools of nursing in seven different states, and graduation classes from 1914 to 1951. Attendance was good, with an average attendance of 50. Individual lectures were open to staff nurses not registered in the course as space permitted.

Of the three purposes for which the course was offered, all have been met, at least in part. Nurses are enthusiastic about the new techniques they have learned. Several older women have stated that they would now feel confident in returning to duty. The hos-

pital has received word from approximately a half-dozen, to date, who would be willing to do part-time duty, although they are not needed at the

present time. In an emergency, the class roster would provide us with an appreciable reserve to call on for temporary assistance. ■

### **Emerson's Refresher Course for Nurses**

Subjects covered in the final curriculum, and the time devoted to each, are as follows: orientation; new trends in laboratory procedures; anesthesia and intravenous therapy; operating room, central supply, and recovery room; burns and trauma; nursing care of the burned patient; fractures and bone trauma; x-ray; physical therapy; catheterization; obstetrics and newborn care; neurology; nursing care of neurological patients; oxygen and inhalation therapy; medication procedures; public health; diet therapy, psychology of the patient; infections, precaution technique, and reversed precautions; new patterns in patient care — all one-hour lectures; new equipment — two hours; tracheostomy, Harrison, and Levine tubes — two hours; pharmacology — 12 hours; electrolytes and steroids — two hours; round table summary — two hours.

## **way to maintain a reservoir of nurses**

**T**ODAY, with so many hospitals in great need of registered professional nurses, one of Long Island's community hospitals has found a sure method of maintaining a standby supply of the much needed R. N.'s.

In May 1955, at the conclusion of the expansion program that increased its capacity from 98 to 230 beds, South Nassau Communities Hospital, Oceanside, N.Y., was faced with a pressing need for R.N.'s to staff the new wings.

In surveying the problems, the director of nurses hit upon an idea which has proved to be most successful in solving the R.N. shortage — a refresher course for nurses who have been inactive for a considerable period of time.

As soon as the program was set up, an invitation was extended via the press and over local radio stations to the more than 2000 inactive nurses living in the county to register for the course.

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The response was overwhelming. Interviews at registration revealed that many registrants had wanted to resume their careers but did not know just what was the best method of learning new devices and techniques; many had left hospital nursing for other specialty fields and others, after years of inactivity, felt insecure and hesitant. For some of them it meant resuming nursing after 20 years of retirement!

### **Fulfilled Real Need**

The first course was a great success, for it fulfilled a real need on the part of the nurses, as well as the hospital.

Two refresher courses for nurses have been conducted yearly since 1955 at South Nassau, with revisions and additions made as it became necessary. At the beginning of the course each nurse receives an evaluation sheet, which she submits to the instructor at the completion of the course. The evaluations are reviewed and, if necessary, the instructor revises the program.

With every interest directed toward

bringing the inactive nurse up to date rapidly, the program has been planned to present no interference with home situations. Since the majority of nurses have children on full-time or part-time school schedules, it was found that 9 a.m. to 12 noon is the most convenient time for all — doctors, nurses and hospital staff. The course is conducted on Monday, Wednesday and Friday for a six-week period, under the direction of the in-staff education supervisor. It has been found that a gradual introduction to a refresher nurse program as opposed to a shorter intensive daily program provides better adjustment, greater understanding and acceptance of modern techniques.

Prior to registration the nurses come to the hospital for an interview, file an application, and are thoroughly informed of the program and the motives for maintaining such a community service. Since the program does not require any fee, the nurses are asked to donate two eight-hour days at the completion of the course for additional hospital practice and experience. The hours and time are ar-



ranged at the convenience of the participating nurse.

The eighth refresher course at South Nassau Communities Hospital commenced in April of this year. The course content consists of a review of basic nursing procedures: oxygen therapy, gastrointestinal decompression, sengstaccken tube tamponade, catheterization, maternal and infant care, drug therapy, thoracic and cardiac surgery (intensive care units), care of urological patients, care of fractures, traction, hipnailing (orthopedic), thermatic thoracic chest pump, care of tracheotomy patients, care of colostomies, nutrition in disease, care of craniotomies, recovery room techniques, and teaching the diabetic.

The course content covers many phases of patient care — obstetrical, nursery, pediatric, medical and surgical nursing, recovery room and intensive care, rehabilitation and disaster nursing.

The one-week schedule shown in the box on page 88 is submitted to give a clearer interpretation of the program. (Each hospital would, of course, plan the schedule to suit its own particular need and time allotted for the program, taking into consideration the background of the nurses who register for the course.)

The refresher nurses receive clinical and practical experience by rotation method, similar to student nurse assignment. The recovery room and intensive care unit offer extensive prac-

tical experience so that all of the nurses spend an eight-hour day on each service in addition to whatever the rotating schedule may offer them. The inservice supervisor has some assistance from the head nurses in carrying out follow-up on case load and practical experience.

#### **All Groups Enthusiastic**

The groups have been enthusiastic about the program. All nurses have indicated that they would not have returned to nursing if they had not first of all been attracted by the refresher course, and second, received the guidance and assurance that they derived from the course.

By conducting a refresher-type nurses' educational program twice a year, it has been possible to meet the nurse shortage of staff personnel caused by resignations, vacations, marriages and pregnancies. Many of the refresher nurses have accepted responsible staff positions, working into assistant charge nurse, recovery room staff nurse, emergency room nurse, nursery nurse, and charge nurse relief. Many are employed on a part-time basis as per diem servicing — doing one, two or three days, as the home situation permits. Of the last class of 14, 12 are actively working on the hospital staff.

A very small percentage of the "graduates" have remained inactive following completion of the program.

Of the 73 nurses who have taken the course since 1955, 46 currently are employed on the staff or on a per diem basis. ■

Members of a refresher class for nurses at South Nassau Communities Hospital gather in the auditorium to watch a film on open heart surgery.



Below: Mrs. Powers supervises refresher nurse as she administers suction to patient in intensive care unit.



Below: Two nurses in recovery room are instructed by Mrs. Powers in procedure for taking vital signs.





# When Nurses Are Negligent, They Are Liable

*In this review of cases brought before the California courts, it is pointed out that no nurse is free from liability for negligence and wrongdoing when she should have foreseen that damage would result from her actions*

**Albert Woodruff Gray**

**D**EFINITIONS are at best uncertain and evasive. "No one means all he says and yet very few say all they mean, for words are slippery," was the comment of Henry Adams. Long ago the definition was made by the Michigan supreme court that, "Negligence consists in the failure to observe that degree of care which the law requires for the protection of the interests likely to be injuriously affected by the want of it."

While the statement suggests the youngster's definition that salt is what makes potatoes taste bad when it isn't put on, the comment was nevertheless made by that court that this definition was made by one of the ablest legal writers of modern times.

While a hospital may or may not be responsible for the negligence of a nurse in its employ, no nurse is free of liability for negligence and wrongdoing merely because she was employed by the hospital.

Upon every nurse, as upon other workers, the law imposes the duty to use "due care and proper precaution" that she does not negligently injure others. In other words, responsibility on the part of a nurse is established by proof that she ought to have known or foreseen that injury or damage would be the result of her conduct.<sup>1</sup>

At a hospital in Southern California a boy underwent an operation for hernia. Except for this condition he had been in good health. For eight

days after the operation his condition remained normal when suddenly his temperature reached 101° F. and a pleuritic pain in his right side elicited the diagnosis of broncho-pneumonia.

During the next two days his fever registered 102.6° F. and the patient was flushed and dyspneic. At noon on the second day he told the resident physician that he was suffering from a tight feeling in his throat and a pain when he attempted to open his mouth.

This doctor told the supervisor of nurses that to him it looked "like this might be a case of tetanus," and directed her to call the attending physician. That afternoon the nurse's chart showed that the patient had undergone progressive deterioration, pain and stiffness in his neck, tightness in his chest, and difficulty in opening his mouth and swallowing.

Early in the evening the mother of the patient called at the hospital and was alarmed at the marked change for the worse. Calling the head nurse she remonstrated with her for three hours only to be told that the operating surgeon would not arrive at the hospital until 11 p.m.. However, between two and three hours later another physician, who happened to be at the hospital, was summoned by the night supervisor.

His examination of the boy verified the earlier suggestion made by the resident physician more than 10 hours before, that the patient was suffering from tetanus, and he directed that he be immediately removed to the county

hospital. Shortly before 2 o'clock that morning the patient arrived at that hospital and died the following day.

In its characterization of the conduct of the nurse in failing to accord this patient the care and skill which the law requires, the appellate court said, "Malpractice is the neglect of a physician or nurse to apply that degree of skill and learning in treating a patient that is customarily applied in treating and caring for the sick or wounded similarly suffering in the same community.

"While the law makes allowances for human weakness in the application of skill and learning, the facts of each case must be judged according to their own merits." To this general statement the court added its conclusion in relation to these particular facts:

"Viewing the facts of this case it is inescapable that in the treatment and nursing of the patient the servants of the hospital were negligent in failing to exercise ordinary care in two respects, namely,

"(1) In the application of the skill, learning and diligence reasonably required in a private hospital in Los Angeles at that time and,

"(2) In refusing to take steps for the protection of the patient or to act, when evidence of the pathological condition and of the progressive deterioration was brought to their attention."

Of the negligence in these circumstances the court continued, "It is es-

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<sup>1</sup> 35 Am. Jurisprudence 1024

## **National League for Nursing Votes for Exclusive Control of Accreditation Policy**

PHILADELPHIA. — The National League for Nursing has drawn a circle around its program of nursing accreditation and shut out the American Hospital Association.

During a special two-day session preceding the group's national meeting here last month, the N.L.N.'s council of member agencies voted overwhelmingly to approve a statement that deletes all reference to A.H.A. participation in and responsibility for policy making activities concerning accreditation.

The approved statement, "The Present Thinking of the N.L.N. Board of Directors on Accreditation Policy," makes its point in the first sentence: "The N.L.N. board of directors reaffirms its basic position that responsibility for the establishment of standards and improvement of nursing education rests with the N.L.N."

Although the statement is designed to keep policy setting within the N.L.N., it does provide for an advisory committee through which A.H.A. representatives could work with the League on accreditation matters.

In effect, the League seemed to be telling the A.H.A., "You can advise us, but we'll make the decisions."

The size of the majority for the statement — of 866 votes cast, 783 were for the statement — indicated that the assurances of the A.H.A. spokesman, Dr. Stewart Hamilton, while effective, were not enough. Dr. Hamilton, director of Hartford Hospital, Hartford, Conn., spoke before the vote was taken. He suggested that inclusion of the A.H.A. on accreditation matters would not lower the standards of nursing education, but that the accreditation program would be stronger if the two organizations shared the responsibility and worked together.

At the end of the meeting it was clear that although the League may encourage joint thinking as a harmless social pastime, it is not ready to turn over or share its policy making responsibilities with another association. A.H.A. cajolery notwithstanding.

Nursing accreditation has been a major topic of discussion between the A.H.A. and N.L.N. since the A.H.A.

house of delegates proposed last August that "an independent joint commission to accredit hospital schools of nursing be established by the A.H.A., A.M.A., and N.L.N. as rapidly as feasible."

This action caused anguish and some turmoil and galvanized the N.L.N. to action.

Following official notification of A.H.A.'s intent to form an independent commission on accreditation, members of N.L.N. steering committee of the department of diploma and associate degree programs met to study the resolution and the various reactions to it. They then formulated and forwarded to the N.L.N. board of directors several recommendations including one that stated "the accreditation of all educational programs in nursing should remain the responsibility of the League." This and the other recommendations were endorsed by the steering committee of the department of baccalaureate and higher degree programs, and the subcommittee of practical nurse education, the other two educational units in the N.L.N. Division of Nursing Education.

In November 1958 the N.L.N. board passed the following resolution and forwarded it to the A.H.A.:

"Whereas, the N.L.N. board of directors is of the opinion that professional accreditation of schools of nursing belongs to the body set up for the express purpose of improving nursing education and evaluating nursing services, and

"Whereas, the N.L.N. board of directors is of the opinion that the accreditation of hospital schools of nursing has produced desirable results and has demonstrated the attainability of accreditation for hospital schools of nursing, and

"Whereas, the board of directors of N.L.N. has directed that A.H.A. be so advised,

*Be it resolved* that the N.L.N. board of directors reaffirm its conviction of the role N.L.N. must continue to play in accreditation and that it convey this conviction to A.H.A. through conferences with A.H.A. representatives to examine all facets of the accreditation program."

This resolution was presented to the councils of member agencies and to the state leagues for nursing for opinions. A great majority of the respondents agreed that the N.L.N. should continue its role in the accreditation of hospital schools of nursing.

At this time, the N.L.N. board of directors arranged for representatives of the N.L.N. to meet with representatives of the A.H.A. to discuss the accreditation controversy. As a result of this meeting, the two boards approved a recommendation that two committees be created: an ad hoc committee to consider all aspects of accreditation and to make recommendations, and a joint committee of the boards of the N.L.N. and A.H.A. as a continuing committee that would be concerned with broad issues of mutual concern to both associations. By the end of April this year, both committees had met.

The joint committee of the two boards made the following recommendations:

1. Joint exploration of accreditation of hospital schools of nursing should be continued for the following purposes: (a) improving and simplifying procedure; (b) providing for stable financing.

2. Joint A.H.A.-N.L.N. responsibility for accreditation should be considered.

3. A policy committee should be formed within the N.L.N. on the accreditation of hospital schools of nursing consisting of 14 members, seven to be appointed by A.H.A. and seven to be appointed by N.L.N.:

a. To receive and approve reports from the board of review.

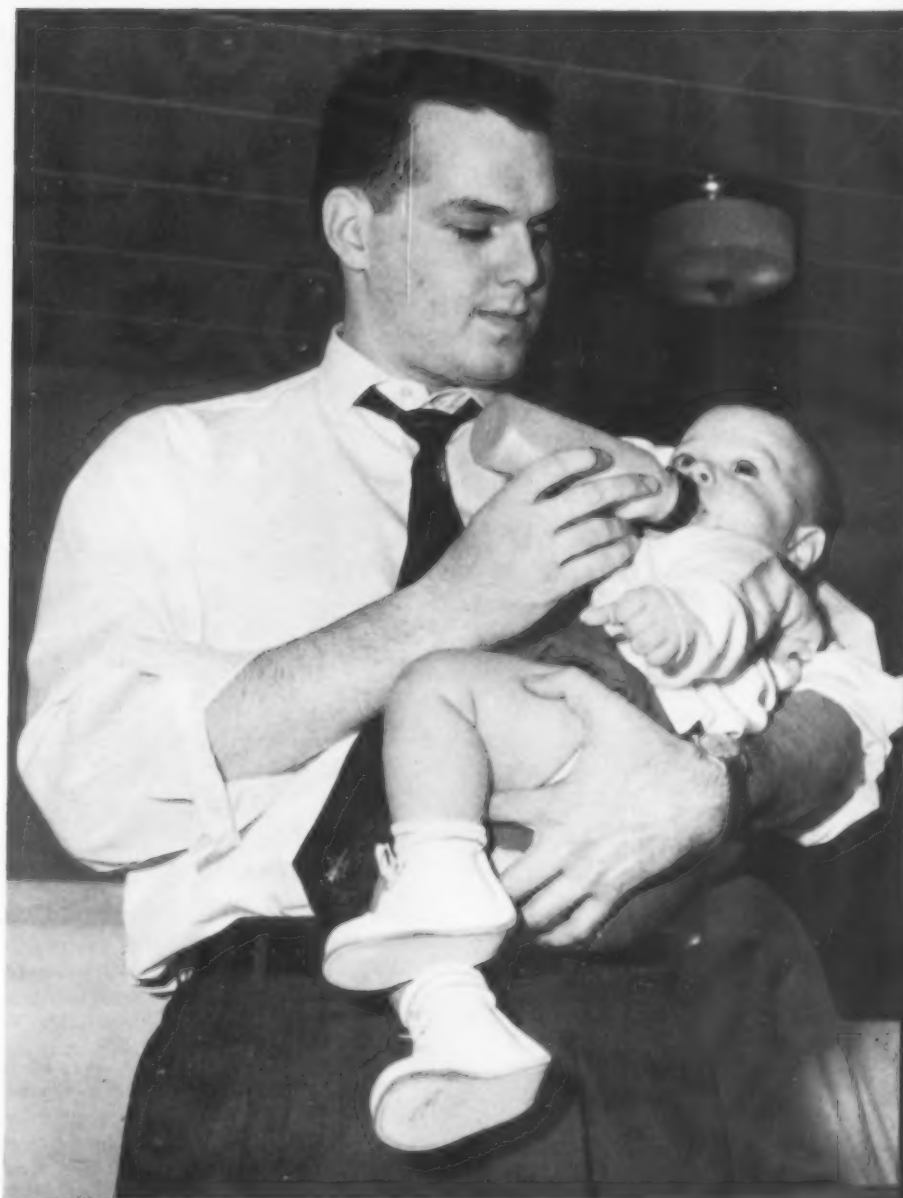
b. To consider problems and make recommendations on policy and procedure to the board of N.L.N.

c. To evaluate the accrediting program in relation to established objectives and policies. The members of this committee should also serve as an interorganization committee of the N.L.N. and A.H.A. to consider and recommend methods or procedures.

The N.L.N. board of directors considered these recommendations but in the words of League President Ruth Freeman, "The board believed it not appropriate to take action in this matter inasmuch as it was primarily the concern of the steering committee of the department of diploma and asso-

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## ***Baby Is a Parent's Best Teacher***



Baby Tom Riley, aided by his father, shows expectant fathers' class proper feeding method.

Live models are the main attraction each year for the expectant parents' classes at MacNeal Memorial Hospital, Berwyn, Ill. The babies shown on this and the following two pages give prospective parents a real-life demonstration of what to expect of their  
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## HOSPITAL'S COURSE FOR EXPECTANT PARENTS COVERS EVERYTHING — INCLUDING THE BABY



Above: Models for expectant mothers' class return to the hospital after one year to give a graphic live demonstration of growth rates. Center: Three babies give a live illustration of light, medium and heavy weights. Crowns worn by the babies indicate their weights at birth. Left: The entire group of 10 lines up for comparison, in wiggling as well as weight. Dr. Francis Kodl, pediatrician at MacNeal Hospital conducted this unique seminar on growth.





Above: One father demonstrates his changing technic on his 13 month old daughter. Above, right: For expectant father, doctor proves his virtuosity at diapering, in duplicate, on twins.



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own babies. MacNeal offers the course five times a year. Nearly 1600 women have attended the courses since 1949.

Each course consists of seven lectures for mothers and one for fathers. The first four sessions explain human reproduction and the stages of pregnancy.

The new baby steals the spotlight in the remaining classes, which cover everything from the proper method of holding and bathing the infant to the preparation of his formula.

The fathers' class meets at night. Experienced fathers bring their babies and demonstrate feeding, bathing and diaper changing technics. They also answer questions covering such things as burping theories and interpreting the baby's cry.

The last mothers' class studies the child's growth and development. This year 10 babies returned to show how they had grown in a year. Their mothers told the class the behavior and development problems they had encountered. ■



In three pictures at right Baby Riley helps his father with the demonstration and question period. "Please, not in front of all these people," he seems to say as his father shows them how to prepare for baby's bath under Mrs. Riley's supervision. Then he prepares to help present the panel discussion for expectant fathers, and, finally decides the only way to make his position clear is to take the microphone from Dr. Arthur Consing, the instructor.



## 1. UNIFORM CODING OF CERTAIN TISSUES

Code	
1	Appendix, acutely inflamed, tumor or granuloma
2	Appendix, fibrosis, pinworm, lymphoid hyperplasia, subacute
3	Appendix, nothing in muscularis or serosa
2	Cervicitis
3	D & C, normal endometrium
1	D & C, polyps
1	D & C, placental tissue
1	Endometriosis, active
2	Endometriosis, inactive or minute
2	Gallbladder, no stones, wall thin and elastic
1	Gallbladder, wall thick and inelastic
2	Gallbladder, cholesterosis
1	Gallbladder, stones present but wall thin
3	Gastric resection for duodenal ulcer
1	Gastric resection with ulcer present in specimen
2	Gastric resection with gastritis
2	Hemorrhoids
1	Hemorrhoids, thrombosed or inflamed
2	Hernia, general
1	Hernia, strangulation, tumor granuloma
2	Hernia, endometriosis, vas deferens, or other tissue
2	Ovaries, microcystic
3	Ovaries, corpus luteum
1	Ovaries, ruptured luteum cyst
3	Therapeutic abortion
2	T & A
1	T & A, specific infection, tumor or other pathology
3	Tubes or vas for sterilization
3	Uterus with normal pregnancy
2	Uterus, prolapse with keratosis of cervix
3	Uterus, hysterectomy for hemorrhage, if uterus looks normal
2	Uterus, fibroid, small and nonobstructing
1	Uterus, fibroid, obstructing or of sufficient magnitude to cause symptoms or trouble
2	Veins
1	Veins, with thrombosis or other pathology

## 2. CRITERIA FOR SELECTING CHARTS TO REFER TO TISSUE COMMITTEE\*

OPERATIONS	REMARKS
<b>Codes**</b>	<b>Description</b>
190-12	Simple mastectomy
	Review all charts with tissue codes 2 and 3
640-12	Complete gastrectomy
640-13	Partial gastrectomy
	Review all charts with tissue codes 2 and 3
661-12	Appendectomy
	Review all charts with tissue codes 2 and 3
687-12	Cholecystectomy
	Review all charts with tissue codes 2 and 3
780-12	
788-12	
788-13	Operations on tubes
788-122	and/or ovaries
787-12	Review all charts with tissue codes 2 and 3
787-13	
782-10	
782-12	
782-12X	Operations on uterus
782-13	Review all charts with tissue codes 2 and 3
782-14	
810-10	
810-12	Operations on thyroid
810-13	Review all charts with tissue code 3

\* Adapted from Tissue Committee Procedure, Butterworth Hospital, Grand Rapids, Mich.  
 \*\* The codes in this column refer to those found in "Standard Nomenclature of Diseases and Operations."

## How To Make

Vergil N. Slee, M.D.

THE hospital tissue committee has just one responsibility: to find out whether or not the surgery performed in the hospital was justified.<sup>1</sup> The goal of the tissue committee procedure should be to carry out the search for unjustified surgery with the minimum of waste motion and with maximum assurance that problem cases will be discovered. The committee works directly or indirectly from clinical records, going over them and applying a simple test of consistency. Basically, the committee asks the question: "Was the decision to perform this operation consistent with the symptoms, signs and other diagnostic findings presented?"

Roughly one-half of hospital surgical procedures result in the removal of tissue. For these the tissue committee has, in addition to preoperative data, the tissue findings in the pathologists' reports. Tissues are examined objectively in the laboratory, giving factual observations which are available as independent reference points. The pathology reports become the greatest single resource of the committee, a point which is recognized by naming the group "tissue committee" when it is really a "surgical justification committee."

For cases with tissue the committee

<sup>1</sup>Myers, Robert S.: Evaluation Proves Tissue Committee's Worth, *Mod. Hosp.* 92: 63 (April) 1959.

Dr. Slee is director of the Commission on Professional and Hospital Activities, Ann Arbor, Mich. The commission was established in 1955 by the American College of Physicians, the American College of Surgeons, the American Hospital Association, and the Southwestern Michigan Hospital Council to conduct research in the area of the improvement of hospital medical care. This article reports a development of the Professional Activity Study (P.A.S.), the major activity of the commission. The P.A.S. and also the medical audit program (a joint research project with the American College of Surgeons) are now available to hospitals throughout the United States.

# the Tissue Committee's Work More Effective

has a time saving method available, since experience has demonstrated "the wisdom and practicability of accepting automatically certain tissue diagnoses as indication of justification for surgery."<sup>2</sup> If the findings in the pathology report amply justify the surgery, no further study of the case is made, since evaluation of preoperative care, surgical technic, and the like are not responsibilities of the tissue committee.

It is common practice for these tissue reports to be used by the committee in screening cases. For example, an appendix with acute inflammation, a uterus with a large fibromyoma, and a hernial sac with gangrenous bowel clearly were removed in operations which were justified. Clinical records with such pathology reports need not be studied further by the tissue committee since the tissue report automatically establishes the justification for surgery.

<sup>2</sup>Robert S. Myers, *ibid.*

Since 1954, hospitals participating in the Professional Activity Study (P.A.S.) of the Commission on Professional and Hospital Activities have utilized this principle. Coupled with the advanced data-presentation techniques of the P.A.S., which show diagnosis, operation and tissue disease, as well as other information about each patient, the hospitals are able to streamline the tissue committee operation still further. The procedure works as follows: Pathologists serving the participating hospitals adopted a simple code for classifying the tissues examined into three categories:

1. Tissue disease generally requiring surgical removal.

2. Tissue diseased but surgical removal is not clearly required from the pathological findings alone.

3. No disease.

This code for the classification of tissues (shown in Illustration 1) was designed to ensure consistency of handling. For each tissue examined, the

pathologist simply records the classification on the tissue report. The medical record librarian transfers this code onto the P.A.S. code sheet along with the diagnoses, operations and other data about the patient. If no tissue was removed, or no tissue report received, the record librarian codes this fact. Each month an operation listing is run for each hospital on a tabulating machine. Applying a set of rules agreed upon by the tissue committee, the medical record librarian simply dismisses certain cases as "justified" on the basis of the tissue finding. The clinical records that meet these criteria are not given to the committee and both the committee and the record librarian are relieved of much unnecessary handling and reading of charts. Illustration 2 shows some of the rules set up by one tissue committee to designate clinical records demanding individual review.

The result of applying this set of rules in five P.A.S. hospitals is shown

## 3. RESULTS OF APPLYING CRITERIA IN FIVE P.A.S. HOSPITALS

OPERATIONS	HOSPITAL A			HOSPITAL B			HOSPITAL C			HOSPITAL D			HOSPITAL E		
	Justified by Tissue Disease			Justified by Tissue Disease			Justified by Tissue Disease			Justified by Tissue Disease			Justified by Tissue Disease		
	Total	Num-ber	Per Cent	Total	Num-ber	Per Cent	Total	Num-ber	Per Cent	Total	Num-ber	Per Cent	Total	Num-ber	Per Cent
Simple mastectomy	11	9	81.8	14	13	92.9	1	—	0.0	21	18	85.7	5	3	60.0
Gastrectomy	10	6	60.0	84	56	66.7	30	17	56.7	102	57	55.9	76	39	77.6
Appendectomy	82	58	70.7	172	146	84.9	123	90	73.2	376	245	65.2	76	37	75.0
Cholecystectomy	39	39	100.0	173	161	93.1	102	84	82.4	266	239	89.8	162	149	92.0
Operations on tubes and/or ovaries	29	23	79.3	53	45	84.9	28	23	82.1	55	37	67.3	44	26	59.1
Operations on uterus	66	40	60.6	164	139	84.8	165	143	87.9	403	164	40.7	116	76	65.5
Operations on thyroid	16	15	93.8	81	80	98.8	33	21	63.6	30	29	96.7	41	40	97.6
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>253</b>	<b>190</b>	<b>75.1</b>	<b>741</b>	<b>640</b>	<b>86.4</b>	<b>482</b>	<b>380</b>	<b>78.8</b>	<b>1253</b>	<b>789</b>	<b>63.0</b>	<b>520</b>	<b>410</b>	<b>78.8</b>

This method does not condemn an operation merely because of normal tissue removal. It does call attention easily and graphically to those cases for which the committee should evaluate, on the basis of the clinical indications for surgery, the removal of normal or slightly diseased tissue. As a matter of fact, the tissue committee may establish ground rules which permit normal tissues in certain operations, *i.e.* the normal uterus removed for prolapse in postmenopausal pa-

The same principle of coupling diagnosis and operative procedure can be applied also to those operations in which no tissue was removed or no pathology report was made (no tissue was sent to the pathologist). Neurectomy might be dismissed from case re-

The method here described will, of course, function only with a forthright pathologist. Classification of all tissue as Category I in an effort to help justify surgery will soon be detected by an alert committee, and it will once again be necessary to review all charts in detail. Conversely, refusal of the pathologist to use the Category I designation in accordance with the rules of justified surgery (on a tissue disease basis) established by the committee will also throw the entire case review load on the committee. However, given the honesty and cooperation between pathologist and surgeon which are the rule rather than the exception, the tissue committee procedure can be effectively streamlined by the application of this method.

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be read in detail are underlined. Note that for Surgeon 80 (column 12) three of the four cases show normal tissue (code 3, col. 12). Only one patient (case on second line) failed to receive laboratory workup. Of the 17 cases, 12 received antibacterials (code 7, col. 40).





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# ABOUT PEOPLE

## Administrators



Robert A. Anderson

**Robert A. Anderson**, assistant director of the Sloan Institute of Hospital Administration at Cornell University, has been appointed to succeed **Walter R. Amesbury** as administrator of Waltham Hospital, Waltham, Mass. Mr. Amesbury's resignation was announced in the February issue of *The Modern Hospital*. Mr. Anderson will assume his new position in July. Before going to Cornell in March 1957, Mr. Anderson was superintendent of the Wyoming County Community Hospital, Warsaw, N.Y., beginning in 1948. He holds a master's degree in hospital administration from Columbia University and is a fellow of the American College of Hospital Administrators.

**Harold E. Wetzel** has been named administrator of Miners Hospital of North Cambria, Spangler, Pa. Mr. Wetzel was formerly administrator of Anniston Memorial Hospital, Anniston, Ala. His successor there was announced in *The Modern Hospital* last month. Mr. Wetzel is a graduate of the University of Toronto program in hospital administration.

**Donald F. Smith**, superintendent of Minneapolis General Hospital, Minneapolis, since July 1955, has resigned to become administrator of Clifton Springs Sanatorium and Clinic, Clifton Springs, N.Y. He had formerly been assistant director of the Rochester, N.Y., regional hospital council.

**Harris B. Jones** has been appointed administrator of Community General Hospital, Sterling, Ill., succeeding **Paul A. Bjork**, whose new appointment was announced in *The Modern Hospital* in April. Mr. Jones is a graduate of the University of Chicago program in hospital administration and is a fellow of the American College of Hospital Administrators. Previously he had been administrator of Washington County Hospital, Washington, Iowa.

**Cheney Ellerbe** has been appointed administrator of Fort Lauderdale

Beach Hospital, Fort Lauderdale, Fla. He was formerly administrator of Fairmont General Hospital, Fairmont, W. Va. He will receive a master's degree in hospital administration from Northwestern University in June.

**Joseph J. Potorski** has been appointed assistant administrator of South Side Hospital, Bay Shore, Long Island, N.Y. Mr. Potorski was formerly administrator of North Adams Hospital, North Adams, Mass. He was a member of the class of 1950, school of public health and administrative medicine, Columbia University.



Frank A. Lynch

**Frank Allan Lynch** has been appointed administrative assistant at Presbyterian-St. Luke's Hospital, Chicago. He has been associated with the St. Luke's division since March 1951 as director of patient services. Prior to that he was administrative assistant in the program in hospital administration at Northwestern University for three years. Mr. Lynch is a graduate of the Bellevue Hospital School of Nursing. He attended Columbia University and New York University and is a graduate of the program in hospital administration at Northwestern University.

**Joseph K. Summers** has been appointed director of finance of the Antillas Clinic Medical Staff, Inc., in Rio Piedras, Puerto Rico. Mr. Summers is a professor of management at the University of Puerto Rico and was formerly administrative consultant to the hospital. The post of director of finance succeeds the position of hospital administrator which has been eliminated in the new organization structure of the institution.

**Sister Roberta** has been named administrator of O'Connor Hospital, San Jose, Calif., following four and one-half years as administrator of Hotel Dieu Hospital, El Paso, Tex. She replaces **Sister Helen**, who had served as administrator since September 1954. Prior to her assignment in El Paso, Sister Roberta was administrator

of St. Vincent's Hospital, Los Angeles, for seven years. She had also served as administrator of De Paul Hospital, St. Louis, where she opened the school of nursing which she served as director for several years. Sister Roberta is a graduate of De Paul University, Chicago, and has taken courses in hospital administration at St. Louis University. She is a fellow of the American College of Hospital Administrators.

**Manfred Flam** has been appointed assistant to the director of Mount Sinai Hospital, Hartford, Conn. He had been assistant superintendent at McCook Memorial Hospital, Hartford, Conn.

**Elbert E. Gilbertson** has been appointed assistant administrator of St. Luke's Hospital, Boise, Idaho. He is a graduate of the University of Minnesota course in hospital administration and has been a member of the faculty for the course.

**T. Ray Jones** has been appointed administrator of Jackson-Madison County General Hospital, Jackson, Tenn. A graduate of the Northwestern University course in hospital administration and a member of the American College of Hospital Administrators, he has for the last six years been administrator of North Mississippi Community Hospital, Tupelo.

**W. Delmer Brown** has been appointed administrator of Corpus Christi Osteopathic Hospital, Corpus Christi, Tex. He was formerly administrator of Elizabethtown Clinic, Elizabethtown, Ky., and Clinton County Memorial Hospital, Albany, Ky. Mr. Brown is a graduate of the University of Cincinnati College of Law and received additional training in hospital administration at the University of Kentucky and the University of Louisville.

**J. Boyd Collard**, administrator of City Hospital, Okmulgee, Okla., since 1953, has become administrator of McAlester General Hospital, McAlester, Okla.

**Lyle Sale** has been appointed administrator of Glenn General Hospital, at Willows, Calif., succeeding **Bert Pugatch**.

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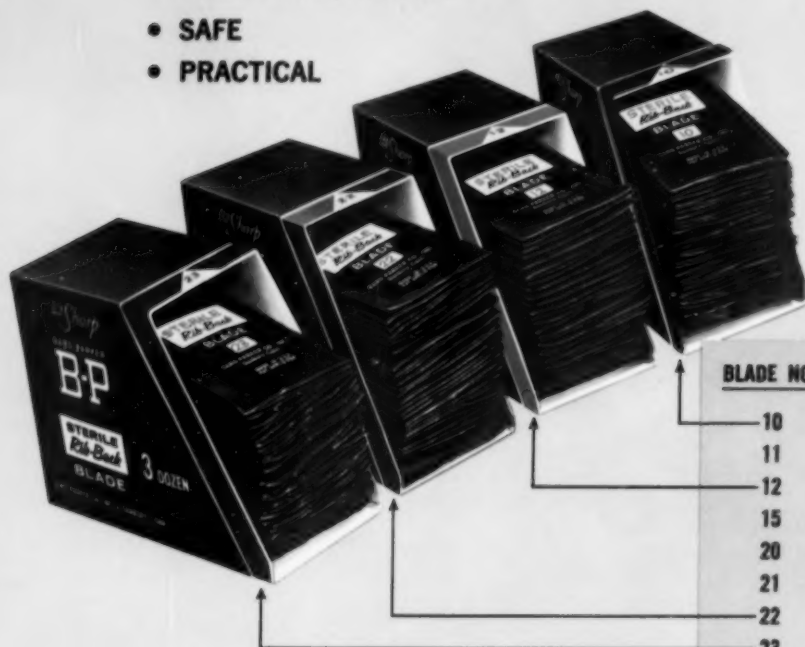
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# Prototype Study: 200 Bed Hospital

*Continuing a new series of "Prototype Studies" of hospital operations and activities, with up-to-date information on principal departments. This expanded prototype study of the 200 bed general hospital analyzes operations in greater detail than has ever been done before. It also points out major changes in operation and utilization that have occurred during the last seven years. It is recognized that not all of the available data presented are current. For this reason the information is prepared in tabular form showing the approximate year in which data were available. Subsequent studies present similar information describing hospitals in other size groups.*

**Louis Block, Dr. P.H.**

**T**HE 200 bed general nonprofit hospital usually provides medical, surgical, obstetrical, pediatric and orthopedic services.

## **Bed Distribution**

It is common practice for this hospital size group to combine medical and surgical beds in certain nursing areas as well as to have specific bed assignments for medical, surgical, obstetrics, pediatric and orthopedic patients.

As a rule, no distinct assignment of beds is made for isolation, chronic, psychiatric or tuberculosis patients.

Bed distributions between the various services has remained fairly constant although there is a slight reduction in the number of obstetrical beds. It is in this size group that a specific bed assignment is first made for orthopedic cases.

The average 200 bed general hospital will have 135 medical-surgical beds, 32 obstetrical beds, 28 pediatric beds, and 5 orthopedic beds.

## **Utilization**

The utilization pattern has shown a continuing increase in the last five years. Admissions have increased 11 per cent and births have increased 8 per cent. The number of newborn days of care has decreased showing an accompanying decreased length of stay of newborn infants.

## **Financial**

Along with the increased utilization, the investment in and costs of providing services have also increased. Total assets have increased 57% per cent while investment in plant has increased 74 per cent. This means that a greater proportion of the hospital's assets is tied up in plant.

Payroll is responsible for the greatest part of the increase in expenses. In fact, payroll accounted for almost two-thirds of the 37 per cent increase in expenses in the last five years for this hospital group.

The changing practice of medicine has resulted in an increased proportionate allocation of expenses to laboratory, x-ray and pharmacy.

Despite the increase in cost of operation, total income more than offsets the cost. However, a greater proportion of expenses will be covered by income from sources other than patients than in the past.

## **Services**

A greater proportion of the 200 bed general hospital group is providing special services than ever before. When services are provided by more than half of the hospitals they are considered basic. Formerly, basic services in the 200 bed general hospital included:

1. Blood bank
2. Central supply room
3. Clinical laboratory
4. Electrocardiograph
5. Hospital auxiliary
6. Medical library
7. Patient library
8. Medical record department
9. Metabolism apparatus
10. Outpatient department
11. Pharmacy
12. Physical therapy department
13. Premature nursery
14. X-ray diagnosis
15. X-ray therapy
16. Obstetrical delivery rooms
17. Operating rooms
18. Emergency

To this group the following additional services are now considered basic:

1. Postoperative recovery room
2. School of nursing

Rapidly approaching the level of being considered basic are:

1. Cancer clinic
2. Dental department
3. Radioactive isotopes
4. Routine chest x-ray on admission

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## Personnel

Although utilization is increasing, the number of personnel required to provide the services rendered is increasing at a greater rate. This, in turn, is reflected in increased costs and payroll. Increases in personnel are especially noted in the nursing, laboratory and x-ray departments. In the last five years, personnel in x-ray has increased 33 per cent, in laboratory it has increased 66 per cent, and in nursing it has increased 28 per cent.

## Laboratory

The hospital will have a staff member specializing in pathology. He will be full time. It will require all tissue removed at surgery to be routinely examined by the pathologist, urinalysis on all admissions, blood count on all adult admissions, serological examination on all adult admissions, and preoperative coagulation tests on all tonsillectomies.

It will have a blood bank and will obtain most of its blood directly from donors. There is an increasing tendency to provide more laboratory work per patient, from 0.7 examinations per patient day to 1.3 examinations per patient day. The laboratory facilities will be available to private ambulatory patients of physicians.

## X-Ray

The hospital will have a staff member specializing in radiology. He will be on a full-time basis. The x-ray facilities of the hospital will be available to private ambulatory patients of physicians.

## Pharmacy

The hospital will have a pharmacy. It will have one or two full-time licensed pharmacists, will not manufacture parenteral solutions, and will have a formulary.

## Medical Staff

The hospital will have a chief of staff and chiefs of services, written staff regulations, regularly scheduled meetings of the staff, standing committees, and will provide for surgical restrictions on staff. It will also have an executive committee, medical record committee, credentials committee, tissue committee, educational committee, and pharmacy committee. The hospital will have a psychiatrist on its staff and it will be accredited by the Joint Commission.

## Admitting

The hospital will generally use a typewriter for duplicating admitting records. It will routinely treat cancer, cardiac, dermatology, gynecology, medical, neurology, obstetrical, ophthalmology, orthopedic, otorhinolaryngology, surgical and urology patients. Its services are generally for the acutely ill, although it will accept chronically ill, industrial and pediatric patients.

If the hospital does admit psychiatric patients, it will not provide a separate facility for such purposes.

## Other Considerations

The 200 bed general hospital will employ dietitians, have a central food service, will provide some kind of selective menus for patients, have mechanical and centralized dishwashing, use gas for cooking, operate its own laundry and process all its soiled linen, and have an administrator who is other than a nurse or a physician. It will calculate depreciation, but will not fund it; it will use the A.H.A. chart of accounts but may or may not operate under a formal budget, and it will charge for drugs on the nursing floors. There is a greater tendency to charge all groups (private, semiprivate and ward) the same for laboratory, x-ray and other special services.

## AVERAGE DAY'S ACTIVITIES

	1953 Prototype	1956 Prototype	1958 Prototype
Admissions .....	19	20	21
Medical .....	6	6	6
Surgical .....	7	7	7
Obstetrical .....	3-4	4	4
Pediatric .....	2-3	3	3
Adult Census .....	154	150	154
Medical-surgical .....	115	108-110	110
Pediatric .....	21	21-22	21
Obstetric .....	18	19-20	19
Private .....	17	17	17
Semiprivate .....	76	76	76
Ward .....	61	61	61
Births .....	4	4	4
Newborn census .....	22	20-21	20
Operations .....	10	10	10
Major .....	4	4	4
Minor .....	6	6	6
X-ray examinations .....	35	35	35
Inpatients .....	21	21	21
Outpatients .....	10	10	10
Private ambulatory .....	4	4	4
X-ray treatments .....	5-6	5-6	5-6
Meals served .....	956-984	1,000	1,075
Patients .....	451-465	450	450
Employees and other .....	505-519	550	625
Laboratory examinations .....	132-137	132	280
Inpatient .....	132	132	200
Outpatient .....	132	132	80
Personnel .....	227	245	270
Patient income .....	\$2,822	\$3,200	\$3,975
Expenses .....	\$2,849	\$3,200	\$3,975
Payroll .....	\$3,014	\$3,500	\$4,175
Other .....	\$1,753	\$1,781	\$2,510

## AVERAGE DAY'S ACTIVITIES, Cont.

	1953	1956	1958
Laundry (pounds) .....	1,863	2,200	2,200
Outpatient visits .....	83-86	83-86	83-86
Clinic visits .....	46-47	46-47	45
Emergency visits .....	13-14	13-14	14
Private outpatient visits .....	24-25	24-25	24-25

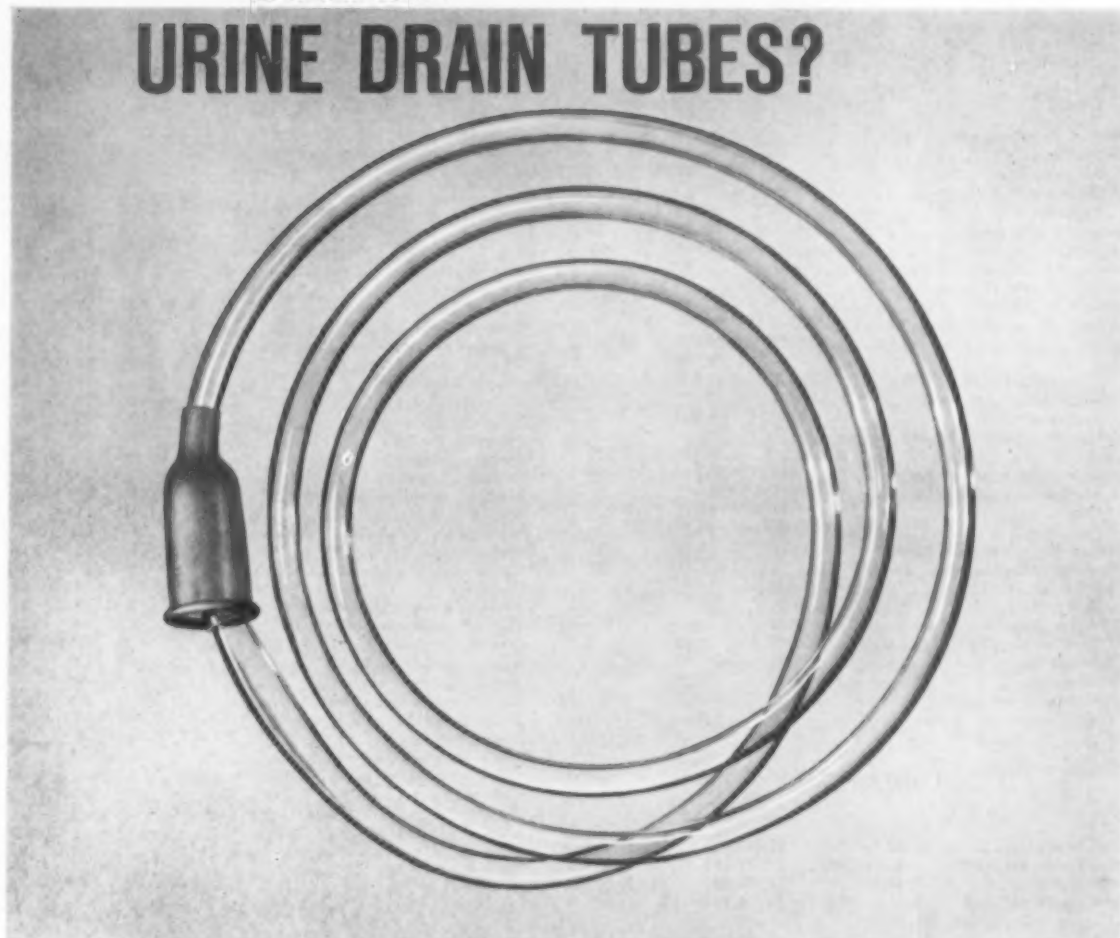
## BED DISTRIBUTION

	1953	1956	1958
Number of medical-surgical beds .....	138	138	135
Number of obstetrical beds .....	35	35	32
Number of pediatric beds .....	27	27	20
Number of orthopedic beds .....	5	5	5
Per cent beds medical-surgical .....	69	69	67-68
Per cent beds obstetrical .....	17 1/2	17 1/2	16
Per cent beds pediatric .....	13 1/2	13 1/2	14
Per cent beds orthopedic .....	2-3	2-3	2-3
Number of private beds .....	26	26	26
Number of semiprivate beds .....	90	90	90
Number of ward beds .....	84	84	84
Per cent hospitals allocating beds for isolation or contagious patients .....	20	20	18
Per cent hospitals allocating beds for chronic patients .....	5	7	7
Per cent hospitals allocating beds for psychiatric patients .....	10	10	3
Per cent hospitals allocating beds for tuberculosis patients .....	4	4	3
Of those hospitals allocating beds average number of such beds for .....			
Isolation or contagious .....	9	9	8
Chronic .....	25-26	20	20
Psychiatric .....	21	21	12
Tuberculosis .....	24	24	35

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## BED DISTRIBUTION, Cont.

	1953	1956	1958
Per cent hospitals having closed beds .....	12	.....	.....
In those hospitals having closed beds, average number of beds closed .....	24	.....	.....
Per cent hospitals having beds closed because of lack of personnel .....	6	.....	.....
In those hospitals having beds closed because of lack of personnel, average number of beds closed .....	23	.....	.....
Per cent hospitals having beds closed for reasons other than lack of personnel .....	6	.....	.....
In those hospitals having beds closed for reasons other than lack of personnel, average number of beds closed .....	27	.....	.....

## UTILIZATION

	1953	1956	1958
Number of admissions .....	6,800	6,900	7,600
Medical .....	2,100	2,125	2,263
Surgical .....	2,375	2,400	2,482
Obstetrical .....	1,325	1,350	1,460
Pediatric .....	1,000	1,025	1,095
Per cent of admissions .....			
Medical .....	31	31	.....
Surgical .....	35	34	.....
Obstetrical .....	19	20	.....
Pediatric .....	15	15	.....
Admissions per bed .....	34-35	36-37	38
Number of live births .....	1,350	1,400	1,460
Number of prematures .....	80-85	85	.....
Number of sets of twins .....	14	14	.....
Number of stillbirths .....	16	18	.....
Number of patient days of care, adult .....	56,000	54,750	56,210
Obstetrical days .....	6,500	7,000	.....
Medical-surgical days .....	42,000	40,000	.....
Pediatric days .....	7,500	8,000	.....
Number of newborn infant days of care .....	8,000	7,500	7,300
Average daily adult census .....	154	150	154
Medical-surgical .....	115	108-110	.....
Obstetrical .....	18	19-20	.....
Pediatric .....	21	21-22	.....
Average daily newborn census .....	22	20-21	20
Percentage of occupancy, adult .....	76	75	77
Private .....	60-70	.....	.....
Semiprivate .....	75-85	.....	.....
Ward .....	65-75	.....	.....
Medical-surgical .....	80-85	80	.....
Pediatrics .....	75-80	63	.....
Obstetrics .....	50-55	70	.....
Percentage of occupancy, newborn .....	63	60	57
Average length of patient stay in days .....	8	7.5	7.4

## FINANCIAL

	1953	1956	1958
Total assets .....	\$2,000,000	\$2,450,000	\$3,150,000
Total assets per bed .....	\$ 10,000	\$ 12,250	\$ 15,500
Plant assets .....	\$1,300,000	\$1,750,000	\$2,260,000
Plant assets per bed .....	\$ 6,500	\$ 8,750	\$ 11,300
Per cent plant assets of total assets .....	65	72	73
Total expenses .....	\$1,100,000	\$1,270,000	\$1,525,000
Expenses per patient day .....	\$ 19.75	\$ 23.25	\$ 27.15
Private .....	\$ 23-\$24	.....	.....
Semiprivate .....	\$ 19-\$20	.....	.....
Ward .....	\$ 18-\$19	.....	.....
Expenses per patient stay .....	\$ 156	\$ 175	\$ 201
Annual payroll expense .....	\$ 640,000	\$ 745,000	\$ 916,000
Average annual salary per employe .....	\$ 2,300	\$ 2,380	\$ 2,675
Per cent payroll of total expense .....	58	59	60
Payroll expense per patient day .....	\$ 11.50	\$ 13.60	\$ 16.30

## FINANCIAL, Cont.

	1953	1956	1958
Per cent distribution of expense by departments:			
Administration .....	11	11	11.9
Dietary .....	16	16	12.7
Housekeeping .....	5	5	5.0
Laundry .....	2-3	3	2.2
Plant operation .....	7	7	6.4
Medical and surgical .....	6	6	6.0
Operating and delivery rooms .....	6-7	6.5	7.2
Pharmacy .....	4-5	5	5.4
Nursing .....	25-26	26	25.0
Anesthesia .....	2-3	2.5	2.3
Laboratory .....	5-6	5	7.1
X-ray .....	4-5	5	5.5
Other .....	3-4	3.5	3.3
Annual patient income .....	\$1,030,000	\$1,175,000	\$1,450,000
Patient income per patient day .....	\$ 18.50	\$ 21.50	\$ 25.90
Private .....	\$ 27-\$28	.....	.....
Semiprivate .....	\$ 21-\$22	.....	.....
Ward .....	\$ 12-\$13	.....	.....
Patient income per patient stay .....	\$ 146	\$ 162	\$ 192
Per cent patient income of total expense .....	94	92	92
Total annual income .....	.....	\$1,300,000	\$1,590,000
Total income per patient day .....	.....	\$ 23.75	\$ 28.20

## SERVICES

	1953	1956	1958
Per cent hospitals having:			
Blood bank .....	80	80	82
Cancer clinic .....	40	39	39
Central supply room .....	80	88	95
Children's educational program .....	12	11	11
Clinical laboratory .....	96	99	100
Dental department .....	33	38	38
Electrocardiograph .....	94	97	99
Electroencephalograph .....	20	20	23
Hospital auxiliary .....	70	79	86
Medical library .....	.....	94	.....
Patient library .....	60	64	64
Medical record department .....	98	99	100
Mental hygiene clinic .....	14	11	11
Metabolism apparatus .....	96	98	100
Occupational therapy .....	14	12	14
Outpatient department .....	70	65	64
Pharmacy .....	90	94	96
Physical therapy department .....	70	72	72
Postoperative recovery room .....	17	44	72
Premature nursery .....	.....	73	78
Radioactive isotope .....	.....	18	41
Rehabilitation department .....	.....	9	9
Social service department .....	33	31	29
X-ray diagnosis .....	99	99	99
X-ray therapy .....	70	81	82
X-ray, routine chest on admission .....	25	38	48
Organized training course for auxiliary nurses .....	25	25	.....
Obstetrical delivery room .....	.....	.....	94
Operating room .....	.....	.....	100
Emergency .....	.....	.....	97
School of nursing .....	46	50	.....

## PERSONNEL

	1953	1956	1958
Average number of full-time equivalent paid personnel (excluding interns, residents and students) .....	280-285	312	343
Average number of full-time employes per 100 patients .....	180	212	220
Average number of full-time employes per bed .....	1.4	1.5-1.6	1.7
Average number of full-time employes per occupied bed .....	1.8-1.9	2.1	2.2
Departmental distribution, number of employes:			
Administration and business office .....	24	24	24
Nursing .....	142	176	182

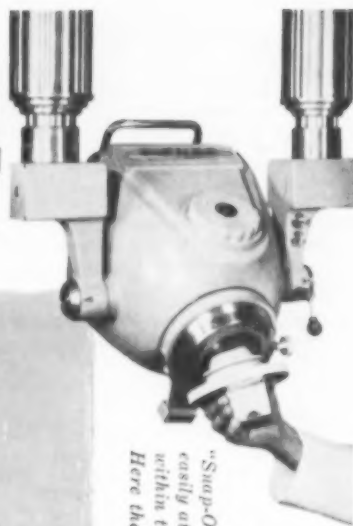
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## PERSONNEL, Cont.

	1953	1956	1958
X-ray .....	3	4	4
Laboratory .....	6	8-9	9-12
Dietary .....	37	37	38
Housekeeping .....	25	25	25
Plant operation .....	17	17	17
Laundry .....	13	13	13
Medical records .....	4	5-6	6
Pharmacy .....	3	3	3
Outpatient .....	11	.....	.....
Physical therapy .....	1	.....	.....
Number of nursing personnel:			
Total graduate nursing personnel (full-time equivalents) .....	.....	88	87
Administrative .....	.....	3	3
Instructors .....	.....	4	4-5
Supervisors and assistants .....	.....	8	7-6
Head nurses and assistants .....	.....	12	12
General duty nurses			
Full-time .....	.....	43	41
Part-time .....	.....	18	22
Private duty nurses .....	.....	14	11
Practical nurses .....	.....	31-32	20
Full-time .....	.....	.....	18
Part-time .....	.....	.....	2
Attendants (in those hospitals having them) .....	.....	25	.....
Nurse's aides .....	.....	44	.....
Attendants and nurse's aides .....	.....	.....	57
Full-time .....	.....	.....	49
Part-time .....	.....	.....	8
Ward maids .....	.....	7-8	9
Full-time .....	.....	.....	8
Part-time .....	.....	.....	1
Orderlies (in those hospitals having them) .....	.....	.....	7
Full-time .....	.....	.....	6
Part-time .....	.....	.....	1
Other auxiliary nursing personnel .....	.....	.....	8
Full-time .....	.....	.....	7
Part-time .....	.....	.....	1
Total graduate nursing personnel			
Full-time .....	.....	.....	99
Part-time .....	.....	.....	74
Administrative nurses .....	.....	.....	25
Full-time .....	.....	.....	3
Part-time .....	.....	.....	3
Instructors .....	.....	.....	0
Full-time .....	.....	.....	5
Part-time .....	.....	.....	4
Nurse anesthetists .....	.....	.....	1
Full-time .....	.....	.....	3
Part-time .....	.....	.....	3
Operating room nurses .....	.....	.....	0
Full-time .....	.....	.....	10
Part-time .....	.....	.....	9
O. R. supervisors .....	.....	.....	1
Full-time .....	.....	.....	1
Part-time .....	.....	.....	0
O. R. head nurses .....	.....	.....	1
Full-time .....	.....	.....	1
Part-time .....	.....	.....	0
O. R. staff nurses .....	.....	.....	7
Full-time .....	.....	.....	6
Part-time .....	.....	.....	1
Patient care area nurses .....	.....	.....	74
Full-time .....	.....	.....	52
Part-time .....	.....	.....	22
Patient care supervisors .....	.....	.....	7
Full-time .....	.....	.....	6
Part-time .....	.....	.....	1
Patient care head nurse .....	.....	.....	11
Full-time .....	.....	.....	11
Part-time .....	.....	.....	0
Patient care staff nurse .....	.....	.....	56
Full-time .....	.....	.....	35
Part-time .....	.....	.....	21
Number of medical technologists			
Registered, full-time .....	.....	4	3-4
Registered, part-time .....	.....	0-1	0-1
Other, full-time .....	.....	4	5
Other, part-time .....	.....	1	1-2
Number of x-ray technicians			
Registered, full-time .....	.....	2	2-3
Registered, part-time .....	.....	0	0
Other, full-time .....	.....	2	1-2
Other, part-time .....	.....	0	0

## PERSONNEL, Cont.

	1953	1956	1958
Number of pharmacists (in those hospitals having a pharmacy department)			
Full-time .....	.....	1-2	1-2
Part-time .....	.....	0	1
Per cent hospitals employing a graduate medical record librarian .....	75	.....	.....
Per cent hospitals employing a non-graduate medical record librarian .....	70	.....	.....
Number of medical record librarians (in those hospitals having a medical record department)			
Registered, full-time .....	.....	1	1
Registered, part-time .....	.....	0	0
Other, full-time .....	.....	4	4-5
Other, part-time .....	.....	1	1
Per cent hospitals employing a dietitian .....	90	.....	.....
Number of dietitians (in those hospitals having a dietitian)			
Full-time .....	.....	2-3	.....
Part-time .....	.....	0	.....
A.D.A. certified:			
Full-time .....	.....	.....	1-2
Part-time .....	.....	.....	0
Other dietitians			
Full-time .....	.....	.....	1
Part-time .....	.....	.....	0

## MEDICAL RECORDS

	1953	1956	1958
Per cent hospitals microfilming medical records .....	.....	36	.....
Number of deaths .....	220	197	215
Number of institutional deaths (48 hours or over after admission) .....	155	.....	.....
Number of noninstitutional deaths (less than 48 hours after admission) .....	65	.....	.....
Per cent deaths of admissions .....	3.2	2.8	2.8
Number of premature fatalities .....	12	.....	.....
Number of autopsies .....	100	70-71	85
Per cent autopsies of deaths .....	45.5	35	39.5
Number of deaths released to public authorities .....	.....	21	.....
Per cent deaths released to public authorities of admissions .....	.....	0.3	.....
Per cent hospitals using standard nomenclature .....	.....	96	.....

## DIETARY

	1953	1956	1958
Number of meals served .....	350,000-360,000	357,000	392,000
Patient meals .....	165,000-170,000	160,000	165,000
Employee and other meals .....	185,000-190,000	197,500	227,000

## ADMINISTRATOR

	1953	1956	1958
Number of years administrator has been on present job			
Low .....	.....	.....	1/2
Median .....	.....	.....	5
High .....	.....	.....	30 plus
Annual cash salary of administrator			
Low .....	.....	.....	\$ 5,014
Median .....	.....	.....	\$12,500
High .....	.....	.....	\$22,000
Annual value of bonuses given to administrator			
Low .....	.....	.....	\$ 450
Median .....	.....	.....	\$ 2,500
High .....	.....	.....	\$ 2,500
Annual value of living quarters provided for administrator			
Low .....	.....	.....	\$ 1,146
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High .....	.....	.....	\$ 3,600
Annual value of meals provided administrator			
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## ADMINISTRATOR, Cont.

	1953	1956	1958
Total annual income of administrator			
Low			\$ 7,906
Median			\$15,087
High			\$27,512

## X-RAY

	1953	1956	1958
Number of fluoroscopies			2,050
Inpatient			1,490
Outpatient			560
Number of x-ray films			19,500
Inpatient			12,000
Outpatient			7,500
Number of x-ray treatments, superficial			317
Inpatient			196
Outpatient			121
Number of x-ray treatments, deep			775
Inpatient			580
Outpatient			195

## ACCOUNTING

	1953	1956	1958
Policies covering laboratory charges			
Inpatients			
Per cent of hospitals reporting			
Same rate to all	23		45
Only ward different	40		40
Different rate to all	32		6
Flat rate to all	4		1
Clinic patients			
Per cent hospitals reporting			
Same rate as ward	38		32.5
Different rate from ward	52		47.5
Same rate as private	10		20
Private ambulatory patients			
Per cent hospitals reporting			
Same rate as private	95		93
Same rate as semiprivate	3		0
Different rate to all	2		7
Policies covering x-ray charges			
Inpatients			
Per cent hospitals reporting			
Same rate to all	15		34
Only ward rate different	47		49
Different rate to all	40		13
Only private rate different			13
Clinic patients			
Per cent hospitals reporting			
Same rate as ward	42		30
Different rate from ward	51		51
Same rate as private	7		19
Private ambulatory patients			
Per cent hospitals reporting			
Same rate as private	95		98
Same rate as semiprivate	5		
Same rate as clinic			2
Usual charges for operating room, anesthesia and other services			
Basal metabolism			
Private patient	\$10		\$10
Semiprivate patient	\$10		\$10
Ward patient	\$ 5		\$10
Outpatient	\$ 5		\$ 5
Private ambulatory patient	\$10		\$10
Electrocardiograph			
Private patient	\$15		\$15
Semiprivate patient	\$15		\$15
Ward patient	\$10		\$10
Outpatient	\$ 5		\$10
Private ambulatory patient	\$15		\$15
Cystoscopy			
Private patient	\$15		\$25
Semiprivate patient	\$15		\$25
Ward patient	\$ 5		\$15
Outpatient	\$10		\$15
Private ambulatory patient	\$15		\$15
Bronchoscopy			
Private patient	\$10		\$25
Semiprivate patient	\$10		\$25
Ward patient	\$10		\$25
Outpatient	\$10		\$10
Private ambulatory patient	\$10		\$25
Gastroscopy			
Private patient	\$15		\$25
Semiprivate patient	\$10		\$25

## ACCOUNTING, Cont.

	1953	1956	1958
Ward patient	\$10		\$25
Outpatient	\$10		\$15
Private ambulatory patient	\$15		\$15
Tonsils and adenoids (child's flat rate)			
Private patient	\$25		\$40
Semiprivate patient	\$25		\$30
Ward patients	\$25		\$20
Outpatient	\$20		\$35
Private ambulatory patient	\$25		\$55
Operating room, major			
Private patient	\$30		\$30
Semiprivate patient	\$25		\$30
Ward patient	\$15		\$30
Operating room, minor			
Private patient	\$15		\$25
Semiprivate patient	\$15		\$25
Ward patient	\$10		\$25
Anesthesia, major			
Private patient	\$20		\$15
Semiprivate patient	\$20		\$15
Ward patient	\$15		\$15
Anesthesia, minor			
Private patient	\$10		\$15
Semiprivate patient	\$10		\$15
Ward patient	\$10		\$ 5

## LABORATORY

	1953	1956	1958
Total number of laboratory examinations	48,000-		
	50,000		85,000
Inpatient	42,000		74,000
Outpatient	6,800		11,000
Private ambulatory	2,000		
Number of inpatient examinations per patient day	0.7		1.3
Number of hematology examinations			44,300
Inpatient			39,200
Outpatient			5,100
Number of blood chemistry examinations			7,125
Inpatient			6,050
Outpatient			1,075
Number of urinalysis examinations			9,450
Inpatient			8,900
Outpatient			550
Number of pathology specimens, gross			1,195
Inpatient			1,090
Outpatient			105
Number of pathology examinations, microscopic			1,630
Inpatient			1,470
Outpatient			160
Number of electrocardiograph examinations			1,805
Inpatient			1,360
Outpatient			445
Number of basal metabolism examinations			352
Inpatient			166
Outpatient			186
Number of serology examinations			5,790
Inpatient			5,150
Outpatient			640
Number of bacteriology examinations			1,720
Inpatient			1,510
Outpatient			210
Number of spinal fluid examinations			223
Inpatient			217
Outpatient			6
Number of stool examinations			369
Inpatient			300
Outpatient			69
Number of other laboratory examinations			11,041
Inpatient			8,587
Outpatient			2,454

## OUTPATIENT DEPARTMENT

	1953	1956	1958
Number of clinic visits	24,000	17,000	15,600
Number of emergency visits	5,000	8,750	5,000
Number of private outpatient visits		4,800	



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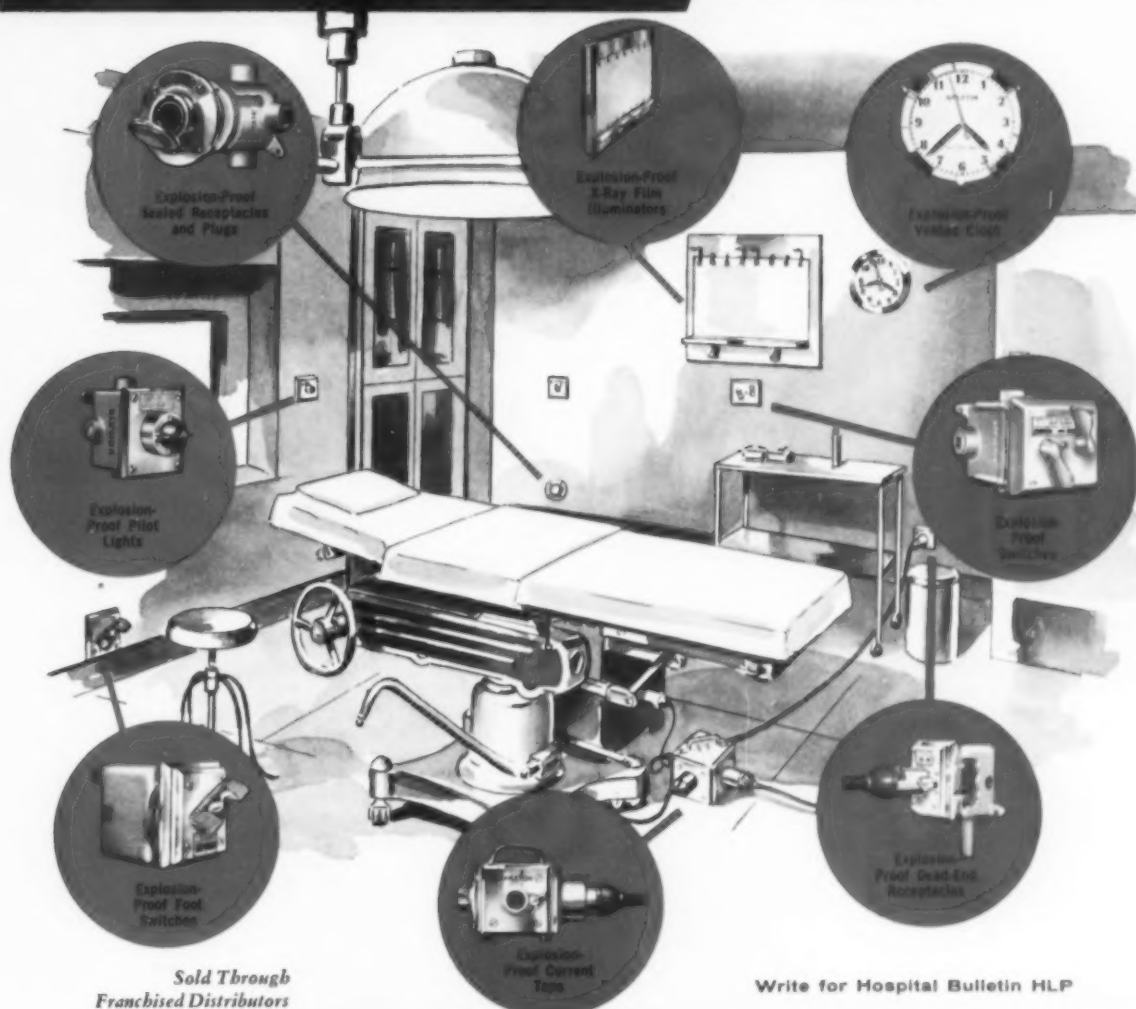
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## *The Significance of Pain to Health Care*

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**E. M. Bluestone, M.D.**

OF ALL the manifestations of illness pain takes a commanding place in its ability to produce a positive response from philanthropist and legislator, as well as from physician, nurse and social worker. In its power to compel an attempt at relief it is on a par with such other acute symptoms as hemorrhage, shock, fever and unconsciousness. It is expressed in a call for help which cannot be denied with impunity.

Pain draws attention to itself and cries out unashamedly for relief. It serves notice that something has gone wrong, and perhaps progressively wrong, and must therefore be dealt with at once. Anyone who turns away from a person who is in pain must find it difficult to live with his conscience.

This symptom points up in a startling as well as practical way the vital role which time and distance play in the arrangements for hospital and all other medical care. In hospital organization and administration promptness of response enables us to distinguish between the sympathetic person who is desirable because his reaction is immediate, and the callous one whose reaction is delayed or absent.

The importance of the subject to the hospital administrator can hardly be overestimated. Pain is the most effective spur to action that we know. There is a compulsion which surrounds this phenomenon in the ad-

mitting office and it cannot be denied. It takes a sadist, or a criminal blinded by vengeance, or a psychopath, to stand by and disregard such a symptom. The responsibility of the hospital administrator in situations like these should be so strong and his reaction so prompt that he will "overadmit" if this is the method of choice in order to facilitate relief.

Symptoms like pain go far to justify a voluntary hospital's selective policy of bed conservation for the benefit of the acutely sick patient, and the law protects such an institution against disagreement. When a hospital is compelled to exercise a choice because of a shortage of beds, it should give preference to the sicker applicant in terms of acuteness, or urgency, rather than to the one who may be sicker in the pathological sense of the word but can wait, if only because he has already waited so long! The symptom of pain, if severe enough, can nullify all policies, rules and regulations and compel individualization of care.

### **A Many-Leveled Thing**

There are many levels, or degrees, of pain. People have a variable threshold in response to each of these levels, and comparative need dominates our planning and our policies. Pain may or may not be self-limited and end spontaneously, having registered its warning of more, or worse, to come. In any case its threat is so pointed that it is always safer to look upon it as a dan-

ger signal. There is a subjective and objective aspect to this magnetic call. It may mean one thing to him who suffers from its baneful influence and another to him who must be impressed by it. Unfortunately for our hospitals, sympathy has human limitations which depend on patience as well as the power to help.

A condition which is nerveless, in the anatomic or pathologic sense, may be "painful" too. One person may be "painful" to another because of a variety of environmental factors which influence the struggle for life in a competitive world, including the little world of the hospital. An insult "pains" most people. Disappointing experience may be "painful" in more than a rhetoric or figurative sense. Even as an evocative figure of speech, pain can be very significant. The memory of it is never lost, with the doubtful exception of the pain of childbirth, and a recurrence is usually avoided. And let us not forget the Latin origin of the word passion, which is "to suffer."

Sensitiveness to unfriendly irritants and unhappy experience modifies the case but remains a contributing factor in the production of pain. Tenderness that is evoked only by the touch or by pressure can bring this important symptom to the surface. It is a dangerous assumption to speak casually of "exaggerated pain," because we do not have a mechanical device by which its relation to its host can be measured accurately, either quantitatively or

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qualitatively, for any particular individual. Statistics on the subject are suggestive only and not decisive. We must play it by ear, so to speak, in all of its stages.

Pain can be a great teacher, as well as disciplinarian, from whom we learn early in life to avoid those conditions which tend to produce it. The threat of pain has its own high degree of potency when men meet, or plan to meet, on the battlefield, in a criminal encounter, or in the arena. It is a symptom that is universally feared among living things and perhaps more so by

thinking and sensitive humanity. We learn to keep our distance from its causes, to circumvent them, or somehow to neutralize them, as part of our education in living, and are taught further how to seek help, as well as to offer it effectively, in such emergencies. When death finally comes, the lucky one is he who does not awaken from his last peaceful sleep, and the unlucky one is he who suffers a long and restless night of pain till the end. Intractable pain is not only difficult to endure, it is heartrending to behold. Much has been written, as well

as thought and felt, on the acuteness and significance of "heartache" as a manifestation of mental pain but the fact of its existence, and its strong resemblance to the organic or physical sense of menacing acuteness, must be taken into consideration. The rhetorical form of pain, centering in the most vital single organ of the human body, bears a strong resemblance to the other form and can be equally devastating though less agonizing.

Most of the painful stimuli in health and in disease can be identified or located with the help of experience or textbook descriptions. Clinicians differentiate between sharp and dull aches and pains, acute and chronic pain, and we classify and assign our patients to various locations. Where expected pain is absent, from whatever pathological cause, or where it subsides suddenly without a subsidence of accompanying signs and symptoms, we may be confronted with a serious therapeutic problem. The medical student is taught not to exhibit narcotic medication till causes can be traced and a helpful diagnosis established. Some pain, mostly in the form of discomfort, must be endured temporarily as the least of two or more evils, and particularly so when certain procedures, like instrumentation, must be carried out. In all cases, however, pain must be reduced to a minimum if it cannot be abolished altogether. It is an unwelcome restraint to therapeutic effort.

In our hospitals we are not always aware of the fact that there may be a considerable difference between pain which arises from causes within and pain that is inflicted from without, and that nervous anticipation aggravates matters. Pain can be unendurable at times to both sides and the earliest generations doubtless moved heaven and earth in their search for the drug that would provide relief, regardless of the consequences of the persistence of the etiological factors. The pharmacologic method of relieving pain by the administration of narcotic drugs is one of the oldest methods of giving "medicine" that we know.

Where medical care is not yet curative, bearable pain is sometimes looked upon by the man of superior character as a challenge which he must surmount by compensatory effort. In other instances, it can exhaust its host, and demoralize him, exercising a tyranny over him which may

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Martyrdom, which involves the acceptance of avoidable pain in a final desire for purification, need not concern the practical hospital administrator here. It belongs in the realm of theology and the faith on which it is based. We are taught that heaven is kinder to him who bears his cross meekly, or who anticipates the final

judgment of absolution by accepting his expiation on earth. The hospital chaplain can supplement the healing efforts of the physician; he can never replace him.

Every hospital administrator knows how the agonizing symptom of pain in one patient can unnerve all other patients in a ward or other multiple-bed room, and break down sickroom discipline, if it is not controlled or kept in isolation. The presence of pain in any form offends the senses and sensibilities of any person, sick or well, and especially one who is already de-

bilitated and worried by illness, and located in a neighboring area within earshot, or the hum of inconsiderate gossip. From the one who, in his inability to bear pain, cries out for help, or the one who groans, or bears his yoke comparatively better, there emanates a haunting sense of fear which engulfs all others, if only because it is an ugly reminder of their sickroom environment. Here is an administrative problem of the first order since it cannot be solved at all times by the forces of clinical medicine. No hospital wants to be misjudged by the prevalence of melancholy accents like these.

Pain as a punishment is never justifiable, as any modern penologist will agree, and uncontrollable pain should never be a reason for disciplinary action. You seldom see malingering with the symptom of pain, if only because it is so readily detected. Only the careless observer will accept the word of him who complains and exhibit narcotic relief before doing a thorough physical examination. The law does indeed require this because of the baneful effects of narcotic drugs administered indiscriminately and repeatedly.

The hospital administrator can take the measure of his medical staff by their reaction, for greater or lesser periods of time, to acute symptoms like these. Rewards are waiting, up to and including the reward of immortality, for the physician who carries on till he gets at the root of the difficulty. The doctor who turns away from a patient after the successful, or unsuccessful, administration of narcotic medication may be embarrassed at a later time by another physician whose conscience is more sensitive and more durable and who reaps the rewards of intelligent persistence.

With all of the manifestations of pain, and its related symptoms in their infinite variety to urge him on, the organizer of medical care has his work laid out for him. It is helpful to him to know organizationally how to respond promptly to pain, regardless of rules and regulations, and, whatever the cause, to deal with it totally and not as a limited call for emergency help. There are, in fact, three successive stages in the offer of hospitalization: (a) first aid, (b) cure and (c) rehabilitation. Pain wears off in many cases, having accomplished its diagnostic mission, and this may be spontaneous, the result of medication, sur-

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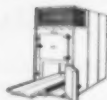


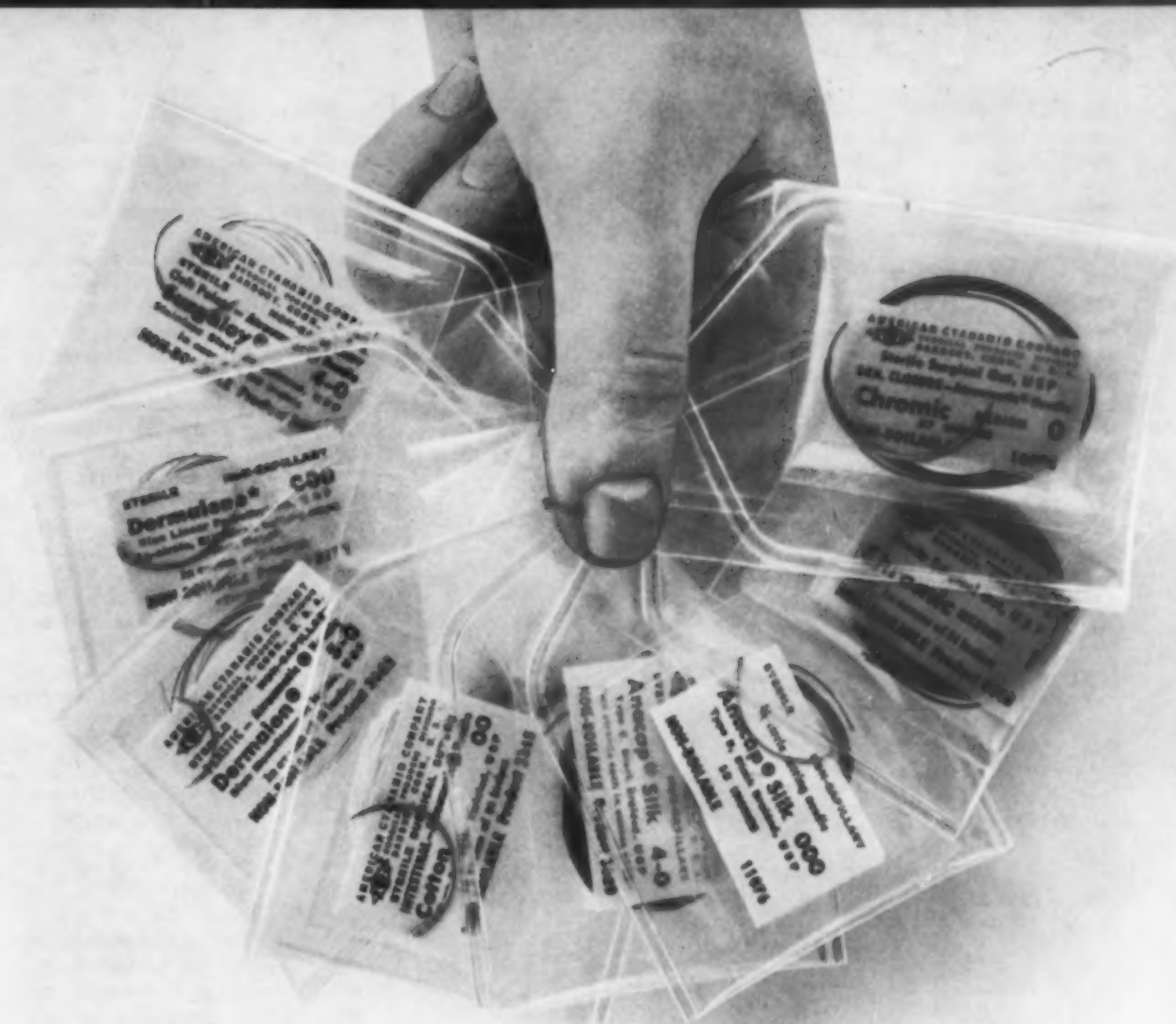
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gical relief, or physiologic adjustment to a bad situation. "The soul of a man should never be tried by those unfortunate things in life to which he can become accustomed," runs an old proverb. Depending on the individual threshold to pain, the sufferer may be able to tolerate it better in the period which succeeds its sudden onset. The most desirable form of resolution for such a symptom after sedation is, of course, the removal of the cause, in which case a recurrence need not be expected. The least desirable is the one in which the cause is beyond hu-

man reach by any known medical or surgical device. But, whatever the course of the illness, persistence of the symptom in less acute form does not justify loss of interest on the part of the organizer of medical care. So long as the symptom of pain remains, as the result of a stubborn pathological condition which is in the background, interest must keep pace as well as helpfulness. Continuation of hospital effort seldom fails to provide its rewards if it is not broken prematurely; it is the *sine qua non* of medical research.

The hospital administrator who is

sensitive to the demands of pain as a symptom, or as a threat, should have some familiarity with the contribution of pharmacology in general and of anesthesia in particular and draw the proper lessons from them. He must learn to view his problem in greater depth. His response will not only bring temporary relief during a short hospital stay but determine causes with a view toward their removal during a longer stay. Major planning in construction, equipment, organization and administration must be adjusted to the need for radical cures, or attempts at radical cures. The hospital cannot be content with any effort that is directed solely to the removal of this or that sign or symptom of illness, however acute. Having assumed responsibility, the administrator must see it through, if necessary, till he is thwarted by death itself, and he should do all this — or strongly recommend that it be done — not only for the sake of the patient himself but for the sake of those that must surely follow him.

Without the symptom of pain, the acute general hospital would be transformed overnight into an institution which cannot distinguish between "acute" and "chronic." Pain in itself, like its near relatives in the book of symptoms, provides the acute general hospital with justification and excuse at the same time. It creates the possibility of selectivity in the admitting office which may or may not be just. Its continuation in chronic form should be an acute irritant in keeping interest alive in the problem. Lack of space for such a patient is cold comfort to hospital authority when applicants are admitted or rejected according to policies of relative rather than absolute eligibility.

There are, of course, illnesses that do not have the symptom of pain as a major component of the syndrome, and pain may in fact be missing altogether. When this occurs a valuable stimulant to administrative action may be lost, though it may be replaced by other stimuli which are equally urgent from both the social and medical points of view. But the planner of medical care who goes only by the evidence of acuteness in organizing his hospital runs the risk of being misled by it. Incidentally, the relief of pain justifies many a medical fee, but this is by no means the last word in the economics of medical practice.

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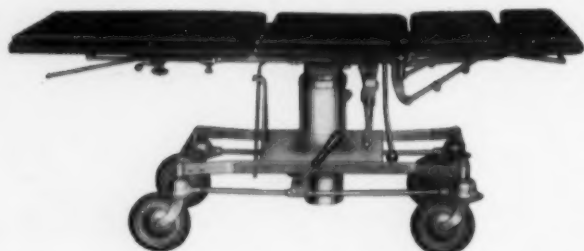
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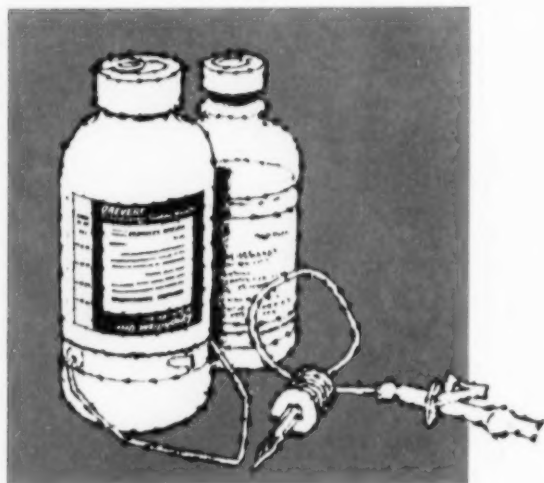


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supply of beds to the demand so long as the required facilities are made available to meet the various gradations of greater need while it lasts. But the person in whom acute pain has been dulled through adjustment to adversity, by sacrifice, or otherwise, may be as much in need as his neighbor who is still in the acute stage. His need does, in fact, remain and he requires relief and support to the extent that he has been rendered helpless or disabled. A patient suffering from chronic arthritis, for example, may well be, and usually is, a more poignant if more resigned problem to the science of medicine than the one suffering from acute arthritis. The same may be said for any of the prolonged illnesses. We cannot forget that many "chronic" illnesses are the result of an "acute" opportunity which has been lost! Certain it is that new remedies should constantly be sought for "incurable" as well as "curable" patients. No man would know at what point to draw the line between "acute" and "chronic" in his attempts at a cure, yet many proceed as if they could identify this very point. Premature discharge from a hospital to an unsupervised home, with consequent loss of opportunity, can no longer be justified in this era of hospital-home care. The effort in the laboratories, as well as in the sickroom, must therefore be continuous and unrelenting from the time that responsibility is assumed.

While pain is a guide as well as a stimulant to administrative, clinical and laboratory effort — both socially and medically — it is not exclusively reliable for planning purposes. It must be controlled, if not relieved, and control is only possible when underlying physical, mental and environmental circumstances are allowed to speak their part. This does not commit the hospital to inpatient care during all levels of pain and its allied symptoms; it does commit the hospital to follow through on a responsibility which it has assumed and make its facilities available on a continuing basis, in home and hospital, in youth and age, in "acute" and "chronic" phase of illness. Persistence and tenacity have won many a medical victory. Superficiality and lack of patience have combined to blind us too frequently to the possibilities that still lie ahead. But motivation in human progress is another subject and it is, at times, a painful one! ■

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## How Drugs Act on Autonomic Ganglia

A review of stimulants and blocking agents  
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THE mediation of nerve impulses through an autonomic ganglion is a multiphasic process. According to present concepts (Perry, 1957) it can be thought of as consisting of seven phases: (1) Conduction of impulses in the myelinated presynaptic fiber; (2) conduction in the presynaptic terminals which are probably non-myelinated; (3) release of acetylcholine (ACh) at the presynaptic terminals; (4) ACh crossing the synaptic gap, occupying receptors of the cell membrane and being hydrolyzed; (5) local response of postganglionic neuron to ACh; (6) initiation of propagated action potential, and (7) conduction in the postsynaptic axon.

The relation of these phases to the structural elements of a ganglion is represented in the diagram in Figure 1. This schematic figure represents only the ganglionic connection of one preganglionic axon with one nerve cell. Usually one axon terminates on the surface of many cells and a single cell is in contact with the preganglionic endings of many axons. Thus, the ganglion is rather a reticular system of nerve fibers and ganglionic cells. The ratios of the preganglionic to postganglionic nerve fibers are characteristic for the two different divisions of the autonomic nervous system and this ratio is about 1:20 for sympathetic and 1:1 to 1:5 for parasympathetic ganglia.

It is most probable that the nerve impulses are mediated at the ganglionic synapses of the autonomic nervous system by ACh. In this respect autonomic ganglia are similar to other (acetyl) cholinergic receptor sites. A very elegant experimental method used by Kibjakow (1933) and by Feldberg and Gaddum (1934) showed the role

of chemical transmission in these ganglia. The superior cervical ganglion of the cat was isolated from the systemic circulation and perfused. ACh could be detected in the perfusate of the eserized ganglion when the cervical sympathetic trunk was stimulated preganglionically.

ACh injected into animals under proper conditions stimulates the cells of the parasympathetically innervated organs (smooth muscle, glands, heart), and can produce stimulation and secondary block of (1) ganglionic transmission, (2) end plates of striated muscle, (3) some sensory endings.

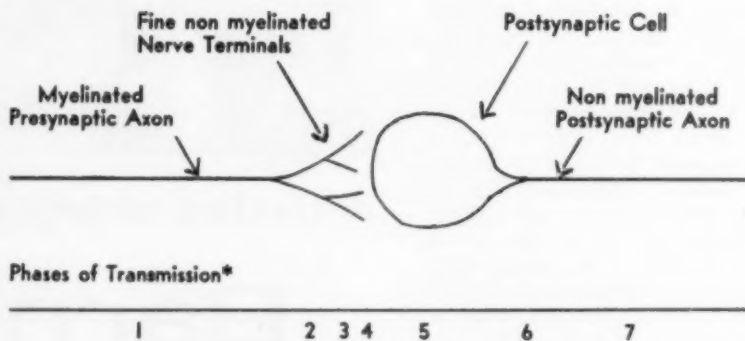
The interaction of ACh with the receptor substance of the ganglionic nerve cells leads to a transient depolarization. Larger doses produce persistent depolarization. Thus, ACh has a dual effect on the ganglion, stimulating in small and blocking in large

doses. This dual effect is also observed at the neuromuscular junction, while at the postganglionic parasympathetic effector sites ACh has only a stimulatory action.

There are other compounds which stimulate autonomic ganglia. Some of these act more selectively at these ganglia than ACh leaving the other cholinergic effector sites unaffected. These agents stimulate the ganglia of both divisions of the autonomic nervous system; thus, symptoms of the hyperactivity of both sympathetic and parasympathetic systems can be observed. It is a characteristic of all ganglionic stimulants that they have, as ACh has, dual effects — stimulation after smaller doses and blockade after larger ones.

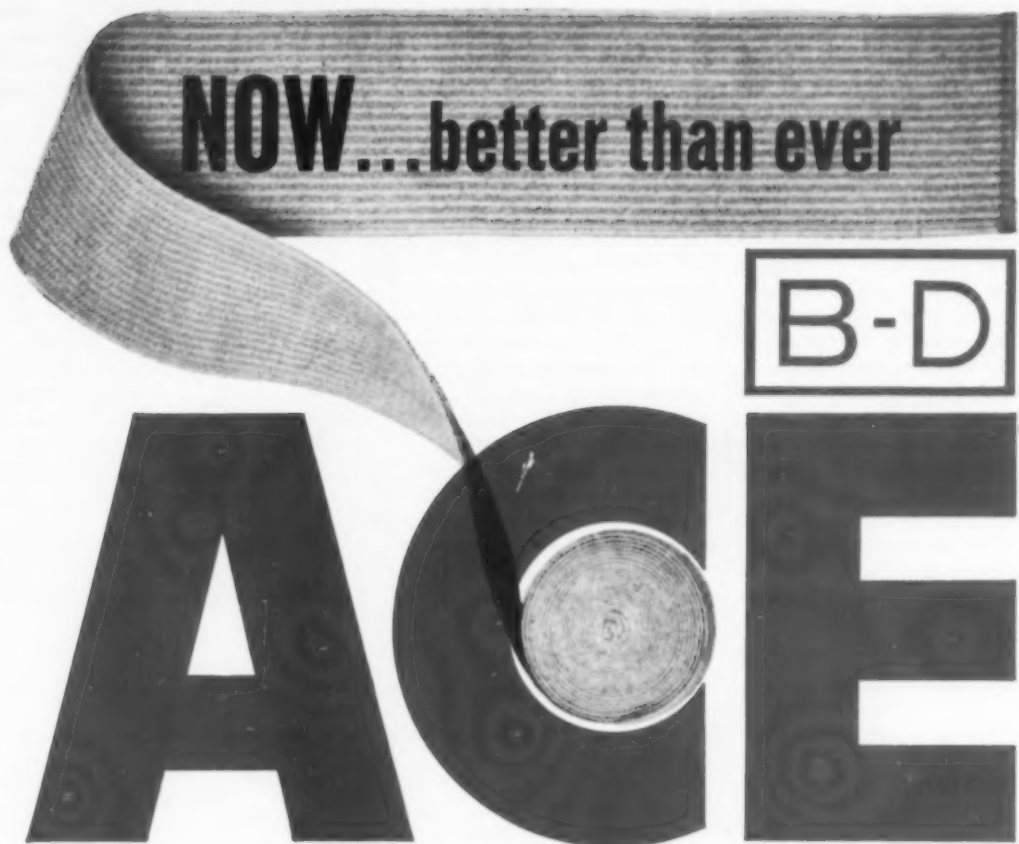
The cardiovascular effects of ganglionic stimulants are complex; the heart rate may be slowed by vagal

Fig. 1  
Diagrammatic Representation of Ganglionic Synapse



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III. 2,6 dimethyl-1,1 diethyl piperidinium ion

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IV. Quaternary derivatives of tropanes where  $\Phi$  = alkyl or aralkyl groups

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V. Hexamethonium ion

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VII. Chlorisondamine ion

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VIII. Mecamylamine

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stimulation followed by blockade, ganglionic blocking agents block autonomic ganglia without any preceding excitatory phase. Most of these agents act predominantly at the autonomic ganglion cells and have little influence at other receptor sites; thus they have a relatively high degree of selectivity as to the site of their action. The mechanism of cholinergic neurotransmission at autonomic ganglia and at neuromuscular junctions is somewhat similar, and agents acting at either of these sites are not absolutely specific. Tubocurarine and most of the syn-

thetic curare-like agents also depress autonomic ganglia. Conversely, ganglionic blocking agents in very large doses may produce some degree of neuromuscular blockade.

The inhibition of transmission through autonomic ganglia produced by most of the commonly used ganglionic blocking agents is due to a competition with the ACh which is liberated at the endings of the preganglionic nerves. Therefore, the combination of ACh with the synaptic receptor sites is impaired, while the formation of ACh is not influenced. This

type of blockade can be overcome by an excess of ACh, *e.g.* cholinesterase inhibitors, which inhibit the breakdown of ACh, are able to counteract ganglionic blockade produced by competitive blocking agents. This competitive type of inhibition is similar to that produced by tubocurarine, gallamine and other curare-like agents at the neuromuscular junction. (Another type of cholinergic blockade is characterized by a persistent depolarization of the ganglion cells or motor end plates.

This type of blockade can be obtained at the ganglia only with compounds like nicotine which stimulate first and block afterwards. The neuromuscular blocking agents, succinylcholine, decamethonium and, in excessive doses, ACh, act by this mechanism at the motor end plates. This blockade is not antagonized but intensified by the addition of ACh or anticholinesterases.)

Ganglionic blocking agents are substituted ammonium compounds or ionizable secondary or tertiary amines; all of the known agents have been produced synthetically. A possible explanation of their action (at least in the case of the quaternary ammonium compounds) is the competition between the blocking agent and the trimethylammonium "cationic head" of ACh for the ganglionic receptor sites. The simplest examples of this class are the tetraethylammonium salts which were the first ganglionic blocking agents to be used therapeutically. In these compounds *ethyl* groups replace the *methyl* radicals present in the cationic group of ACh or tetramethylammonium ion; the methyl groups are responsible for the stimulatory effects.

Other important ganglionic blocking agents like hexamethonium, pentolinium (Paton and Zaimis, 1952) (Smith and Hoobler, 1956) and chlorisondamine (Plummer et al., 1955; Smirk and Hamilton, 1956) have two trimethylammonium or similar cationic groups which are separated by a variable number of methylene ( $-CH_2-$ ) groups. These connecting chains, and the presence of a second similar cationic group at a given intramolecular distance from the first, are probably responsible for the blocking action of shielding against the "invading" cationic group of ganglionic stimulant.

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which is of importance in the ACh-atropine antagonism (Pfeiffer, 1948) might also have significance in the interaction of the ganglionic blocking and stimulant drugs. The diisopropyl diethylammonium ion, 2,6 dimethyl 1, 1 diethylpiperidinium ion (Winbury, 1952), and quaternary ammonium derivatives of tropane compounds (Gyermek and Nador, 1957) have branching carbon chains (indicated by heavy lines in Figure 2) around the N atom and are highly active ganglion blocking agents. The newest and clinically most potent secondary and tertiary

amine derivatives such as mecamlamine (Stone et al., 1956) and pempidine (Corne and Edge, 1958) also have similar structural features which would be capable of producing a shielding effect against the trimethylammonium cationic group of ACh.

The action of ganglionic blocking agents is usually manifested in a blockade of both sympathetic and parasympathetic ganglia as might be expected from their structural and functional similarities. It is desired for therapeutic purposes that the overactivity of only one division of the autonomic

nervous system or of one organ would be specifically diminished by ganglionic blockade without much influence on the normal functions of the other parts of the autonomic nervous system. This can hardly be achieved because, as mentioned before, ganglionic blockade means usually a widespread (i.e. nonselective) diminution or block of transmission of all ganglia. The signs of ganglionic blockade are, on the other hand, dependent in different organs upon the functional proportion of sympathetic and parasympathetic innervation.

Since the parasympathetic nervous system is functionally predominant on secretory glands and on the intestine, ganglionic blocking agents produce a diminution of parasympathetic tone. Dryness of the mouth, inhibition of gastric secretion and of sweating are common after inducing ganglionic blockade. In the gastrointestinal tract, the interruption of the parasympathetic motor tone is apparent. Dilatation of the stomach and decreased motility of the small intestines and colon lengthen the emptying time; thus larger doses of long-acting ganglionic blocking agents may produce constipation, flatulence and sometimes even symptoms of paralytic ileus. In these organs ganglionic block resembles the action of atropine. (Atropine, however, exerts its inhibitory effect post-ganglionically at the parasympathetic effector sites.) The parasympathetic motor innervation of the urinary bladder is also blocked by ganglionic blockade and may induce urinary retention.

In the eye, ganglionic blocking agents produce mydriasis by blocking the tonic parasympathetic discharge reaching the constrictor muscles of the iris. The site of action is at the ciliary ganglion. By blocking the impulses to the ciliary body, ganglionic blocking agents also limit the ability to focus on near objects.

The influence of ganglionic blockade on the cardiovascular system is fairly complex. Several factors are involved. Most important is the temporary interruption of the sympathetic outflow to the vasomotor nerves at the ganglionic level which is manifested in a blood pressure fall, especially when an individual is in an erect position (postural hypotension) when the cardiac venous return is also impaired.

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lesser degree at the afferent portion of the reflex arc. By blocking autonomic ganglia and the carotid and aortic chemoreceptors they prevent experimentally induced blood pressure rises elicited by clamping the carotids, Valsalva maneuver, or cold pressor test. On the other hand failure of compensatory reflexes results in an enhancement of the effects of such vasoconstrictors as epinephrine, angiotonin, and so forth, and also of vasodilators. A marked fall in blood pressure may impair renal function, an important factor to be considered in hyper-

tensive patients and during controlled hypotension in surgery.

Apart from the pharmacologically established side effects of ganglionic blocking agents (muscular weakness, neuromuscular paralysis caused by very large doses, possible blockade of nerve conduction by nonquaternary type of ganglionic blocking agents, e.g. mecamlamine) a widespread and intensive blockade of the ganglia per se, caused by overdosage, might be harmful. A marked and abrupt blood pressure fall (orthostatic hypotension or collapse) may occur. Since

ganglionic blockade leaves the postganglionic effector sites unaffected, sympathomimetic amines: nor-epinephrine; neo-synephrine or ephedrine which act at the postganglionic sympathetic sites can effectively raise the blood pressure to a desired level. Another important untoward effect resulting from overdosage is the paralysis of intestinal movements. Compounds acting directly on the bowel (laxatives) or anticholinesterases like neostigmine (by counteracting the competitive type of ganglionic blockade) are able to reduce the inhibition of intestinal motility.

### Preparations

The commercially available ganglionic blocking agents are markedly different in potency, onset, duration of action, and in their oral absorption. These variables and possible side effects are the most important factors in choosing the suitable agent for therapeutic purposes.

**Tetraethylammonium (TEA).** It is the oldest ganglionic blocking agent. Its pharmacological properties were first described by Burn and Dale (1915) but a detailed reinvestigation was carried out by Acheson and Moe (1945). Because its effect is short-lasting, the injections should be repeated several times a day. The intravenous dose is 0.2-0.5 mg./kg. body weight; much larger doses up to 10 mg./kg. may be administered intramuscularly. The elimination of the drug by the kidneys is very rapid; 50 per cent of the intravenous dose is present in the urine 30 minutes after injection. Provided renal function is normal, half of the intramuscular dose is excreted within four hours. The elimination proceeds through glomerular filtration and tubular excretion. TEA is so poorly absorbed from the gastrointestinal tract that it is administered exclusively by the intravenous or intramuscular route.

Other monoquaternary ammonium derivatives, some more active than TEA, are not used in therapy because of their relatively short duration of action.

The newer ganglionic blocking agents usually have a slower onset and a longer duration of action; and some of them are much better absorbed from the gastrointestinal tract than TEA. Bis-ammonium compounds containing two quaternary nitrogen groups deserve special attention. Compounds in which the two N atoms



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are linked by a straight chain of 5 or 6 CH<sub>2</sub> groups are ganglionic blocking agents and are almost devoid of blocking action at the neuromuscular junction. In contrast, bis-ammonium compounds having longer connecting chains (i.e. 9-10 C atoms) between the two trimethylammonium groups are blocking agents of the neuromuscular junctions (i.e. Decamethonium). The hexamethonium salts (Bistrium, Esomid, Hexamethon, Methium) are about 10 times more effective than TEA on a weight basis and have a longer-lasting action. Several years of

clinical experience have shown the value of hexamethonium in the treatment of hypertension. The poor and irregular absorption of oral doses represents a drawback involving the necessity of massive doses amounting to 1-2 g. per day. Preference has been shown for chloride salts of hexamethonium on account of the side effects of bromism and iodism occurring after the prolonged administration of bromide and iodide salts.

Pentolinium (Ansolysen) which is available in the tartrate salt form is similar to hexamethonium both struc-

turally and pharmacologically. Its action is slightly more intensive and longer lasting than that of hexamethonium. The oral absorption is better, thus doses of about 60-300 mg. per day might be given orally. Chlorisondamine (Ecolid), mecamlamine (Inversine) and pempidine are the newest of ganglionic blocking agents. All of them are extremely potent and have a slow onset and long duration of action. They are given orally in doses of about 100 mg. (Chlorisondamine), or 5 to 10 mg. (mecamlamine), (pempidine) daily. The last two compounds represent a new achievement in therapy with ganglionic blocking agents since they are not quaternary ammonium compounds and are consequently well absorbed from the gastrointestinal tract. Both compounds are, relatively new; thus, extensive clinical evaluation is not yet available.

Elements other than N, like S, As and P are capable of forming compounds with a cationic character similar to the ammonium cation. Of these a sulphonium compound, trimethaphane (Arfonad) (Randall et al., 1949) is available as a short-acting ganglionic blocking agent suitable for obtaining controlled hypotension during surgery.

#### Therapeutic Applications

Three major effects of the ganglionic blocking agents are useful in therapy: (1) Decrease of the tone of the vascular sympathetic innervation resulting in hypotension; (2) decrease of the parasympathetic impulses going to the gastrointestinal tract manifested in block of motility and secretions, and (3) decrease of pain from visceral organs. Accordingly, ganglionic blocking agents were introduced for the treatment of hypertension and peripheral vascular diseases, and of diseases of the gastrointestinal tract.

The main use of ganglionic blocking agents is in the treatment of hypertension. The effect of these agents may vary according to the type of the hypertensive disease, for example, in hypertensive encephalopathy the fall of blood pressure is very pronounced while in cases associated with kidney malfunction the blood pressure change may be insignificant, and in pheochromocytoma even a blood pressure rise may occur.

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The effect is dependent upon the type of drug and mode of its administration. TEA salts given intravenously cause rapid, short-lasting reaction, mecamylamine or chlorisondamine orally may produce very sustained, gradual decrease of blood pressure. One must also consider that tolerance to the blood pressure lowering effect of ganglionic blocking drugs may occur. If such an adaptation of the organism develops, interruption of ganglionic blocking therapy may lead to dangerous overactivity of vascular reflexes. Therefore, a gradual with-

drawal of the drug will be indicated.

Despite these disadvantages ganglionic blocking agents are of much value in lowering blood pressure in critical conditions associated with extremely high blood pressure. Patients with encephalopathy, congestive heart failure owing to hypertension, acute pulmonary edema, or edema of the retina can be successfully treated with fast-acting ganglionic blocking agents by intravenous injection. After the acute danger has passed, the medication should be continued with slower-acting agents, either alone or in com-

bination with other hypotensive agents: Rauwolfia, veratrum alkaloids, hydralazine, thiocyanate and so on.

Ganglionic blocking agents are also used in the functional disorders of the gastrointestinal tract. Symptoms of peptic and duodenal ulcers can be alleviated by temporary vagal blockade. Since an effective blockade of parasympathetic impulses can be achieved by atropine-like drugs, ganglionic blocking agents are relatively rarely used for this purpose. Results of animal experiments and clinical studies have shown that combination of the postganglionic parasympathetic blockade with a ganglionic one might be of superior value. Thus compounds having both atropine-like and ganglionic blocking properties are of interest in this respect. The methyl quaternary derivatives of atropine and of homatropine (Novatrine), oxyphenonium, methantheline, and propantheline have strong atropine-like and weak ganglionic blocking actions. Two recently investigated compounds, the octyl and p-phenylbenzyl quaternary derivatives of atropine (both marketed in Europe) (Engelhardt and Wick, 1957; Gyermek and Nador, 1957) seem to unite these two types of blockade in a useful proportion and thus merit further attention of pharmacologists and clinicians.—  
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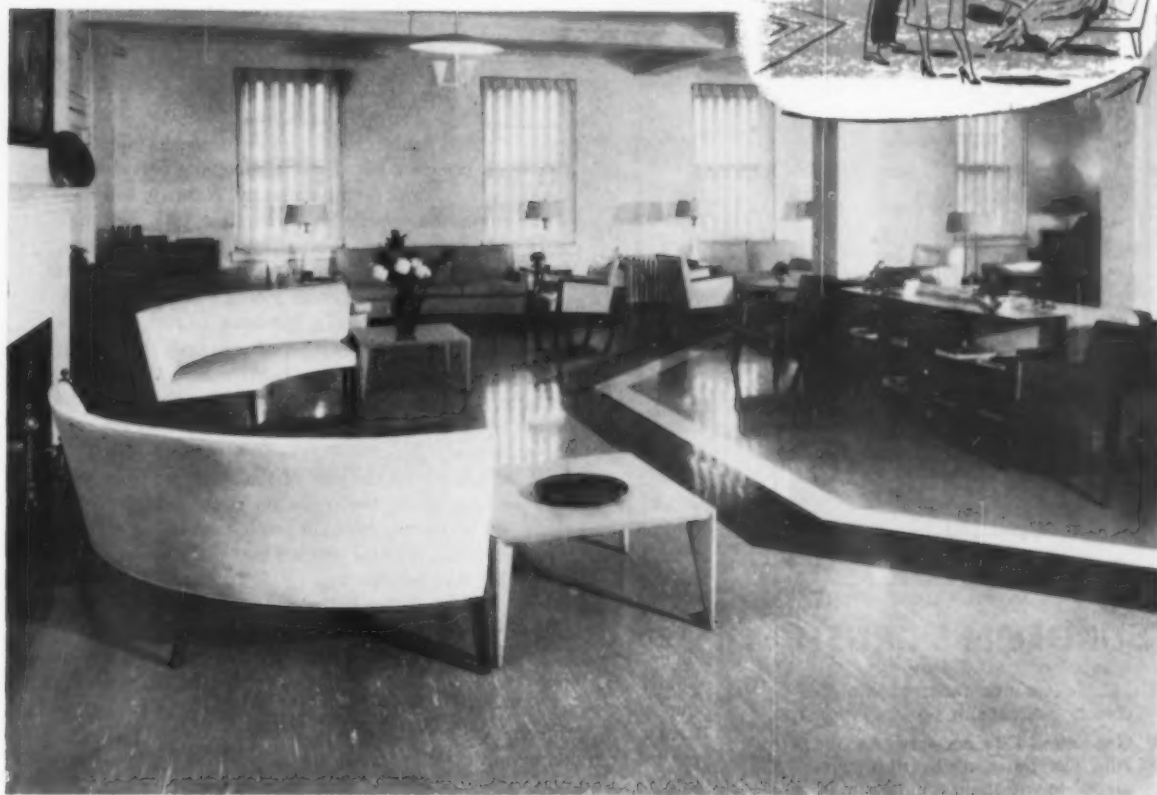
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THE subject of staphylococcal infections brings many hospital people to a state of panic. "Panic," as defined by Webster, is an action often impelled by groundless fear. Although a high incidence of infections gives basis for fear, in combating it hospital people should not revert to panic, but rather to a cold calculating study of the problem and a systematic attack on it.

A sound examination of practices throughout the hospital will often help control, if not limit, all types of infections. This same approach is equally effective in the operating room, but often is divorced in a limited way from the constant suspect, the personnel.

It is true that inefficiency on the part of the operating room personnel will dangerously increase the organism count. This can be, and often is, controlled by certain attentions to human failings. However, those things individuals take for granted many times cause more trouble than the humans themselves.

An example of one such factor is the simple technic, often done in a perfunctory manner, of preparation of the patient's skin for the operation. "Once over lightly" may be the policy, but "once over lightly" can be a "welcome" sign for organisms. Unless there is adequate mechanical friction to remove gross dirt and to defat the patient's skin, other precautions, no matter how carefully carried out, cannot be relied upon to remove organisms or prevent their entrance into the wounds. Such a procedure should begin with a good hexachlorophene soap followed by compatible antiseptics carefully chosen by the infection committee and standardized by the same committee. Deviations from skin preparation standards exert a demoralizing influence on the surgical staff and may well result in direct dangers to the patient.

Draping the patient is another exacting technic often disregarded in its relation to infection. Draping should be done adequately with regard to the thickness of the materials used, and with regard to the methods utilized in handling the drapes, with every consideration for proper sterile technic taken into account.

Another consideration sometimes overlooked or not done in what might be considered accepted methods is that of bacteriologic controls to validate sterilization processes. As a preliminary step it is necessary to restrict the size and contents of bundles, to wrap articles loosely in acceptable coverings, and to load supplies into the autoclave without crowding. Using test organisms whose population and resistance is known, bacteriological studies should be done at least once or twice a month to ensure the efficiency of the sterilizing apparatus. Distinguishing markers, i.e. dates, color change tape, or color change ink should be used to differentiate goods that have been through the sterilization process from unsterile goods.

Another system that constitutes an invitation to invading organisms is the long established master table technic. Unless a system of individual setups of sterile instruments and materials is made available for each procedure, hospitals flirt with danger.



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**Peggy S. Stanfield**

THE training program for food service employees at the University of Texas Medical Branch, Galveston, in 1958 realized savings of \$21,820 in labor costs and \$95,586.15 in food costs. These savings have been returned, in part, to the employees in terms of merit raises; furthermore, they have enabled us to serve a higher quality of food to our patients and staff.

Figures like these alone constitute an impressive argument for instituting a training program, but there is a still stronger argument: Unless the people who do the job and make the establishment run have been well trained, neither they nor their employer is happy and the organization will suffer. Almost every organization has realized this need now and many have done something about it.

One of the last to adopt a suitable training schedule has been the dietary department in hospitals. There are many reasons for this: lack of time, caused by the rapid labor turnover (60 per cent per year — the high cost of labor turnover adds an extra \$1,666,666 to the cost of hospital man-

agement per year) which plagues most dietary departments, lack of money to carry new employees on the payroll until they know their job, lack of teaching manuals, lack of trained personnel to do the teaching, mismanagement and low morale.

Provision for a training schedule and money for this are essential in order to save money in the end and have a happy department. The untrained individual who is hired, and immediately put to work — on a catch as catch can basis by observing someone else doing the job — is likely to become a poor employee, if indeed, he stays at all. So much remains unexplained to him by the person he is watching unless that person himself has been taught to tell others the how and the why of the job. The employee who does a good job does not necessarily make a good teacher. If by chance he has learned skills on his own, he probably will not be able to explain why he does a task in a certain way, except that perhaps it's easier that way for him. While on-the-job training is very necessary, it should be done only by those qual-

ified. "Those qualified" does not mean that a good employee already doing the job would not be eligible; it simply means that if he is to be the one to teach, then he needs "teacher training" before he starts so that he can put the correct technics and skills across to the person he is teaching.

So, then, the training program falls into two main categories: the training of those individuals who will train others, and the actual training of the new employee. Before either can be started, a training manual should be set up for each. The objectives and proper attitudes should be set down for the whole training program, outlining in brief what should be accomplished and the order in which it will be presented. Each hospital department varies in its own particular situation, but the general picture is the same.

Emphasis in all manuals of training should be on the proper attitude toward patients, good hospital conduct and ethics, and these ideas should be instilled in each new employee before he begins to train for his own particular job. When he realizes the importance of his job to others, and his own importance in the scheme of things, then his first positive step has been taken toward becoming a good employee. It has been said that job security means much more than wages to an employee. This is one means of offering him that security.

Those people who usually train new employees will probably be su-

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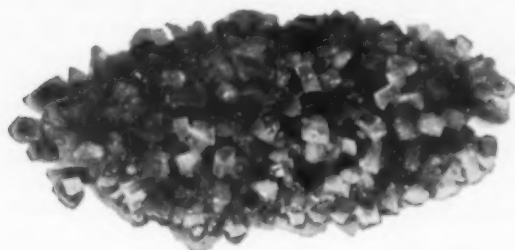




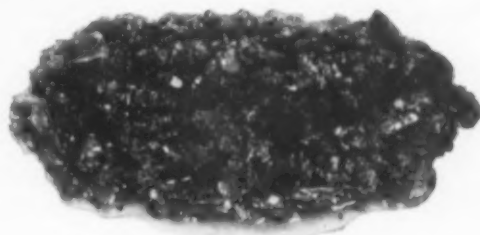
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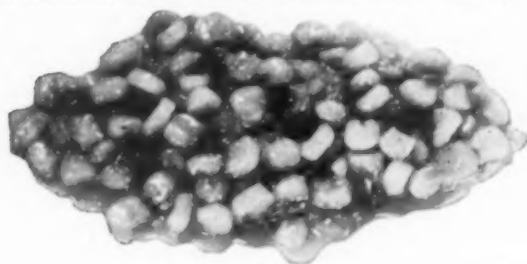
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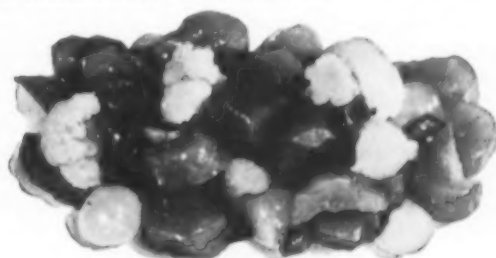
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pervisors in the different areas of the dietary department. They should be selected not only for their efficiency but for their personalities and their ability to put a point across. After having determined who these people are, classes should be held for them so that when they start to train others

it will be obvious that they can do it well, and that they also feel secure in their knowledge. These people should be taught the fundamentals of time and motion, so that when they teach new employees they can set up standard motions (by the number of strokes, or motions taken, and the time in-

volved) which the new employee can easily understand and use to reduce unproductive effort and finish work more rapidly. For example, the trainer should be able to tell and demonstrate how to roll a pie crust with 9 to 12 strokes, at 45° angles from the body. The new employee will be able to appreciate and use this information. (The photograph accompanying this article is an illustration of practical uses of such studies.)

Another phase of training which is most important is that of portion control. The supervisor should be able to tell at a glance if the size of portions are correct, and the worker should also have sufficient training to be able to serve the correct size portion consistently. Many dollars can be saved annually with a tight control on portions. This applies to the patients' food, the cafeteria food, and to the food the employee receives as well, if meals are furnished.

The persons chosen for the training job must have a genuine interest in others, the ability to put them at ease, the tact necessary to provide a basis for constructive criticism when it is necessary, patience and a sense of humor. Without this type of personality the training program will not succeed.

Much has been said about the actual training of a new employee and much literature on the subject is available. Judging from its own particular needs, the hospital will be able to pick out the type and kind of training program suitable for its own situation and get it into operation once the personnel to do the training has been selected and is ready to begin. All material used should be set up in a manual for the trainees and this manual should be given them to use as a future guide and reference. (See accompanying article.) It need not be expensive, but should contain all the necessary information. The information found in training manuals is generally based on these points:

1. Hospital ethics and conduct.
2. Hospital policies affecting the employee vacations, holidays, meals, pay periods, and grounds for dismissal.
3. Hospital benefits which he will receive such as insurance, sick leave, physical examinations and workman's compensation, if any.
4. Safety measures.
5. Sanitation. Maintenance of strict

## University of Texas Food Service Manual Spells Out Policies and Procedures

**A** FOOD service workers handbook, presented to all employees, is an innovation of the dietary department, University of Texas Medical Branch Hospitals.

Among the general policies are:

Each employee is given a permanent badge that must be worn at all times with the number visible.

To be paid, each employee must punch a time card at the beginning and end of each work day. Any error or overtime must be initialed by a supervisor or time clerk.

Each employee must check with the main kitchen supervisor when arriving at work each day. When he must be absent from work he is expected to notify the kitchen office at least 30 minutes before he is due to punch in. Anyone who is absent from work because of illness must furnish written

proof from a doctor. A record is kept for each employee. Three absences without a valid excuse are considered reason for discharge.

The manual gives complete details on pay deductions, vacations — employees must work six months before they are eligible for vacation — and medical examinations. Every six months employees must have a food handlers examination which the university gives without charge.

Explicit details cover: injuries (which must be reported immediately to the supervisor and a blue slip obtained to go through the emergency room), meals furnished (15 minutes allowed per meal), uniforms and working shifts.

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6. Personal hygiene and proper eating habits.

The specific information in a training manual usually follows these lines:

1. Job descriptions.

2. Chain of command.

3. Relation of the areas within the department and relation of the department to other departments.

4. Department regulations (more specific than general hospital rules)

such as routine six-month physical examinations, food handlers certificates, inventory times, issuing of supplies, meal hours, and so on.

5. Proper procedures for all technics, such as dishwashing, mopping and use of equipment.

6. Some information on time and motion, enabling the employe to gain more speed and lighten his work load.

Little has been said about the retraining of old employes and this, as any dietitian will tell you, is often the hardest part of any training program. To teach new methods and to change

procedures which they have followed for years, in such a way as not to ruin the employes' feeling of security and still succeed in establishing and maintaining new and better technics, is indeed a major triumph. It can and must be accomplished in order to operate a department properly and save time and money. We have found, through experience with our own employes, that the following methods served us best:

1. Regular meetings with all the dietary personnel, explaining fully why changes were being made and how they would affect each of them.

2. Regular classes with small groups (each area) and with more detailed, yet simple, explanations.

3. Demonstrations, lectures, visual aids, and simple steps of time and motion for all technics to be altered.

4. Regular meetings with all supervisory employes, informing them of our intentions, and inviting their comments and suggestions to help push the program across.

5. Firm adherence to the principles or new patterns to be put into use, by constant supervision until the new becomes the accepted pattern for all concerned.

6. Constant alertness to maintain what was accomplished so that no one slips back into the old methods.

7. Regular assemblies once a week with both supervisors and workers for discussion of problems and morale boosting.

8. Mimeographed instructions posted liberally on bulletin boards for reference whenever necessary.

9. Distribution of copies of the training manual to all employes.

10. Follow-up on all procedures, so that the employe knows that his work is being evaluated.

It would seem, then, that most of the working day is spent with training — and so it is. Whether consciously or unconsciously, we train all the time — by example, by word, by demonstration, by formal instruction. This is why the training program is the core of the successful dietary department. Since so many man-hours are put into the program, it is essential that the work be successful. Success will show in the department in two main ways: in a smooth operation with happy people doing a good job and a concrete saving in money, for the successful training program cuts down man-hours and waste and speeds up production and efficiency. ■

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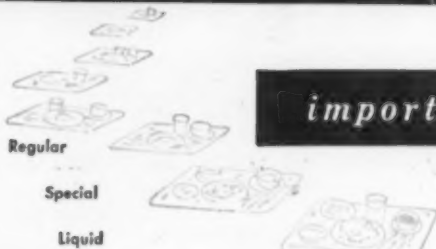


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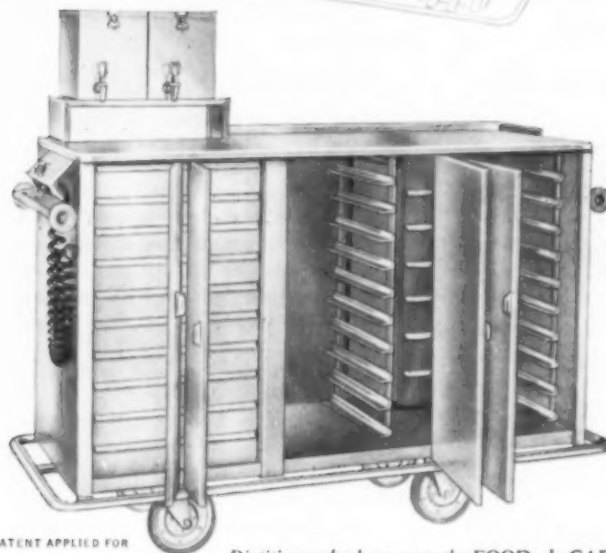
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be checked with a pencil or the employee is considered absent.

Under the heading of personal health and hygiene, the manual asks:

"Do you:

"1. Get enough rest? The average adult needs eight hours sleep before each working day.

"2. Eat a balanced diet?

"3. Wear a coat in refrigerated areas?

"4. Have good posture?

"5. Report any cuts, sores, boils or respiratory infections, such as a cold,

to your supervisor and avoid handling food when you have them? Remember, any infections you have can be carried to others by the food you handle."

The employee undergoes training in proper attitudes to prepare him to serve the patient. He practices entering a room and greeting the patient, and learns how to meet the contingencies that arise in serving the patient.

Under the topic of sanitation the employee learns how to operate the dish machines. Correct stacking of

dishes is stressed, as are: washing the trays; destaining dishes; keeping drains, cabinets and drawers clean.

Rigid sanitation is enforced in frequent inspection of fingernails — inspection not only from dietary staff but from top administration. The employee is cautioned to wash his hands after smoking, going to restroom, mopping, handling dirty dishes, using telephone in nursing station or in hallway, combing hair, changing clothes, blowing nose, or sneezing. Each individual is held responsible for carrying out these rigid sanitation regulations.

The new employee is put through an explicit routine of duties to be done when first entering the ward kitchen. Some of these duties are illustrated by charts in the employee handbook.

The handbook also covers the employee's full responsibility for tray covers, "cup towels," silver and food carts, including cleaning and return of food carts to main kitchen at specific times.

The employee is taught to be alert about special diet trays so that they have the correct foods. In connection with tray service, the manual says: "Do not touch the blades of knives, bowls of spoons, or prongs of forks when handling silver. Handle glasses near the bottom, not the rim, and cups by their handles."

A complete demonstration on "How To Wash Dishes" includes placing of all dishes, those to be put into plate racks with partitions and those to be put into flat open tray. Cups, cereal bowls, and food covers are not to be stacked two or more deep.

The dish machine must be drained and fresh water added to wash silver and glasses. To prevent germ contamination of clean dishes the worker must not handle dirty dishes and then clean dishes without washing hands.

The employee is warned: "No excuses will be accepted after you have been shown how to wash dishes."

Under the heading of safety, the manual states:

"Accidents are expensive to the employer and employee. To the employer, accidents cost time and money; to you, the employee, accidents cost pain, discomfort and sometimes money. In food service sections, mechanical failure of equipment and human carelessness are responsible for the majority of accidents. The commonest injuries resulting from accidents in the dietetic section are: injuries from mechanical equipment,

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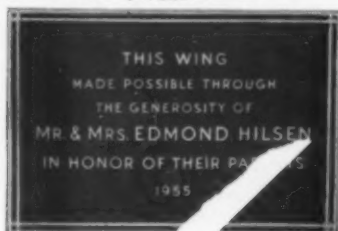
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Under fire prevention, the employee is told that in food service operations there are many fire hazards, of which the careless employee is by far the most dangerous. A careful employee protects himself, his job, and his work area from fire. He recognizes fire hazards, he knows what to do in case of fire, and he employs proper methods in using and caring for work equipment.

To obviate injuries from mechanical equipment he is told to ask his supervisor for instructions when he does not know how to operate or clean a piece of equipment. He must: report mechanical defects promptly, even though it slows his work; avoid talking to or otherwise distracting fellow employees while they are working with power equipment; stand by a machine while it is operating, even though he could save time by leaving it to do other work, and use all available mechanical safeguards.

To avoid cuts he is taught to cut with the knife blade turned away, to let a knife fall when he drops it, and to keep knives sharp and the handles in good condition. He must cut on a board rather than "palming" fruit and vegetables and use a box cutter to open cartons.

To guard against electric shock he is told to dry his hands before handling any electric equipment, to remove a plug from a socket by grasping the plug not the wire, and to report all defective wiring immediately.

Injuries from falls are reduced by the following rules: Wipe up all spilled food immediately; mop floors in sections so that traffic can pass safely; approach corners carefully, especially when pushing trucks; put trucks, mop buckets, dollies or any other equipment against the wall if these must be left in corridors or traffic lanes; observe traffic rules in corridors, work areas, and doorways; dry hands before attempting to lift or carry equipment; use handrails on stairs.

Fully detailed daily (after each meal) cleaning duties for all employees are given. These cover serving areas and equipment, stove and dish machine. A weekly cleaning schedule, covering each day of the week, is divided into morning and afternoon cleaning duties.

For example, on Monday afternoon: "Clean the refrigerator thoroughly, inside and out and on top. When cleaning inside the refrigerator be sure to clean the drain plug." On Wednesday afternoon: "Straighten supplies. Make list of dish or silverware supplies needed and give to dietitian early. Destain all stained dishes."

Nothing is left to chance on floor mopping. For example, "Pour soapy water down floor drain to wash it out. Then pour clear water down drain. Wash out mop and mop bucket. Squeeze mop dry."

To drive home the importance of sanitation, especially in the hospital, the handbook concludes with a summation on sanitation.

The employee is told: "It is part of your job as a food service employee to handle food in a sanitary and careful manner to protect the individuals for whom it is prepared." Then follows a checklist of specific and general points that cover the whole food service area at which the principles of good sanitation must be maintained at all times.

## FOOD FOR THOUGHT

### How To Judge Potatoes

Bargains in potatoes are not always "true bargains" from the standpoint of preparation, according to Catherine Turner, assistant professor of home economics at the University of Alabama.

The price quoted per bag may be lower, she explains, but the product when ready to cook may be more expensive than a higher priced potato. Shallow-eyed potatoes are the most economical, as deep-eyed ones require more labor to remove the eyes and when peeled by machine result in greater waste, Miss Turner says. A smooth shallow-eyed potato gives the greatest yield per pound when prepared.

She passes along some suggestions from the United Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Association for speeding the baking of potatoes.

1. Bring water to a boil. Stir in table salt (about 2½ cups salt per gallon). Add potatoes of uniform size. They should float.

2. Boil for 20 minutes or until fork tender.

3. Place under the broiler for 5 minutes or into a hot oven to dry out and brown.

# Menus for July 1959

**Mary Harman Riste**

Executive Dietitian  
Butterworth Hospital  
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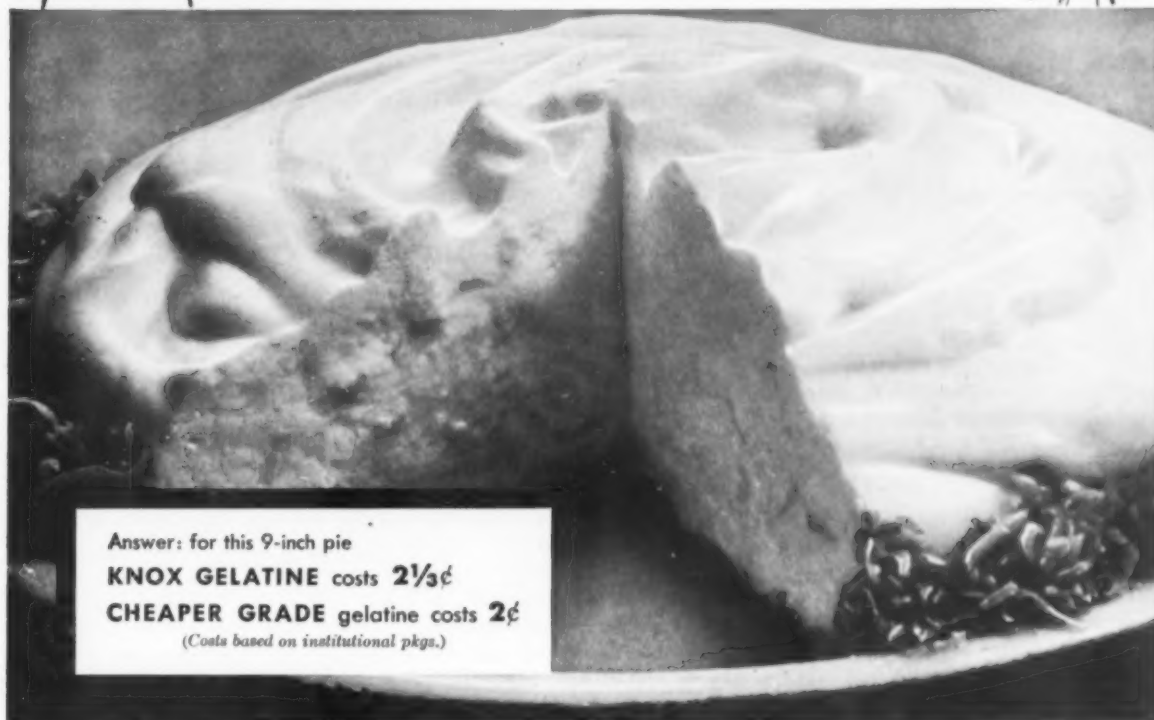
<p><b>1</b></p> <p>Sliced Orange French Toast, Sirup</p> <p>•</p> <p>Chicken Soup Sautéed Veal Loin Chop Baked Potato Cut Wax and Green Beans Fruit Cup Gourmet Toasted Angel Cake</p> <p>•</p> <p>Vegetable Soup Larded Beef Tenderloin French Fried Potatoes Romaine With Vinaigrette Cherry Pie</p>	<p><b>2</b></p> <p>Orange Juice Soft Cooked Egg</p> <p>•</p> <p>Golden Nectar Chicken Pie, Biscuits Mashed Potatoes Mixed Vegetables Celery, Spiced Apricot Pistachio Ice Cream</p> <p>•</p> <p>Beef and Rice Soup Asparagus Tips on Toast Points With Hard Cooked Egg Sauce Crisp Bacon Strips Fruit Salad Devils Food Cake</p>	<p><b>3</b></p> <p>Half Grapefruit Scrambled Eggs</p> <p>•</p> <p>Lime Juice Cocktail Seafood Croquette Escalloped Potatoes Fresh Spinach Strawberry Boston Cream Pie</p> <p>•</p> <p>Creamed Tomato Soup Cheese Soufflé Fresh Asparagus Fruit Salad Bowl Toasted Almond Ice Cream</p>	<p><b>4</b></p> <p>Melon Steamed Egg</p> <p>•</p> <p>Cream of Celery Soup Rib Roast Beef au Jus Noodles in Beef Juice Perfection Salad Mold Peach Cobbler</p> <p>•</p> <p>Fruit Cup With Candied Mints in Grapes Larded Veal Loin With Fine Herb Sauce Persillade Potatoes Shredded New Beets Cheese Cake</p>	<p><b>5</b></p> <p>Half Grapefruit Soft Cooked Egg</p> <p>•</p> <p>Eggdrop Soup Baked Canadian Bacon Escalloped Corn Broccoli Relish Plate Pumpkin Pie</p> <p>•</p> <p>Consomme Chicken and Rice Timbale Asparagus Tips Pear Salad Naturelle Neapolitan Parfait Coconut Snowball Cakes</p>	<p><b>6</b></p> <p>Pancakes, Sirup Sausages</p> <p>•</p> <p>Noodle Soup Roast Leg of Lamb Parslaid New Potatoes Green Peas Wanda Cheese Stuffed Prunes Grapefruit Sherbet</p> <p>•</p> <p>Vegetable Soup Grilled Hamburger Steak Clubbed Potato Pickle Medley Bibb Lettuce With Rougefort Dressing Cherry Roll</p>
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<p><b>13</b></p> <p>Orange Juice Pancakes, Maple Sirup</p> <p>•</p> <p>Consomme Julienne Roast Turkey Breast on Rice and Mushrooms Giblet Gravy Fresh Asparagus Tips Pear and Cheese Salad Pistachio Ice Cream on Sponge Cake</p> <p>•</p> <p>Nectar With Fruit Baked Veal Chop Mixed Vegetables Marble Layer Cake</p>	<p><b>14</b></p> <p>Honeydew Melon Broiled Sausages</p> <p>•</p> <p>Cream of Corn Soup Nouladen in Brown Sauce Mashed Potatoes Buttered Celery and Mushrooms Small Relish Plate Blanc Mange Mold</p> <p>•</p> <p>Vegetable Soup Toasted Bacon and Tomato Sandwich Pickle Chips Jellied Fruit Salad Caramel Ice Cream</p>	<p><b>15</b></p> <p>Fresh Strawberries Coffee Cake</p> <p>•</p> <p>Cranberry and Orange Juice Fried Chicken Glazed Sweet Potatoes Buttered Green Beans Vanilla Ice Cream</p> <p>•</p> <p>Cream of Tomato Soup Yum Yum Sandwich Potato Chips Mixed Pickle Garnish Fresh Fruit Cup Sugar Cookie</p>	<p><b>16</b></p> <p>Orange Juice Soft Cooked Egg</p> <p>•</p> <p>Tomato Bouillon Pot Roast of Beef Mashed Potatoes With Brown Herb Gravy French Fried Asparagus Celery Hearts and Carrot Shreds Glazed Peach Tarts</p> <p>•</p> <p>Fresh Pineapple Cubes Fried Smoked Ham Escalloped Potatoes Broiled Tomato Spice Cake</p>	<p><b>17</b></p> <p>Half Grapefruit Coffee Cake</p> <p>•</p> <p>Golden Fruit Cup Fried Mock Scallops Parslaid New Potatoes Sliced Carrots Chocolate Chiffon Pie</p> <p>•</p> <p>Consomme Royal Baked Trout Spanish Rice Small Relish Plate Sliced Peaches Sugar Cookies</p>	<p><b>18</b></p> <p>Prunes With Orange Poached Egg on Toast</p> <p>•</p> <p>Cream Princess Soup Beef Stroganoff on Rice Broccoli Bibb Lettuce Rose With Aveline Dressing Fruit Lorette Carmelike Cookies</p> <p>•</p> <p>Roast Leg of Lamb Mashed Potatoes, Gravy Peas and Carrots Jellied Fruit Salad Chocolate Angel Cake</p>
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<p><b>25</b></p> <p>Honeydew Melon Soft Cooked Egg</p> <p>•</p> <p>Roast Veal, Dressing New Potatoes O'Brien Buttered Green Beans Sliced Tomato and Lettuce Chocolate Pie</p> <p>•</p> <p>Clam Chowder Chicken Chow Mein on Toasted Noodles Broccoli Tips Plate of Sweets</p>	<p><b>26</b></p> <p>Half Grapefruit Scrambled Eggs</p> <p>•</p> <p>Tomato Juice Swiss Steak Mashed Potatoes Frozen Peas Prune Whip</p> <p>•</p> <p>Cream of Celery Soup Poached Egg on Canadian Bacon and Buttered Rusk Broccoli Fruit Salad Bowl Date Torte With Ice Cream Topping</p>	<p><b>27</b></p> <p>Orange Juice French Toast, Sirup</p> <p>•</p> <p>Noodle Soup Baked Ham Glazed Sweet Potatoes Fresh Spinach Pink Lemonade Sherbet Lady Baltimore Cake</p> <p>•</p> <p>Cream of Asparagus Soup Broiled Ground Steak Mushrooms Julienne Fordhook Limas Tossed Salad Fresh Pineapple, Banana</p>	<p><b>28</b></p> <p>Honeydew Melon Soft Cooked Egg</p> <p>•</p> <p>Sautéed Spring Chicken Mashed Potatoes Buttered Green Beans Celery Hearts Baked Rhubarb Sand Tart Cookie</p> <p>•</p> <p>Cream of Pea Soup Creamed Chipped Beef on Buttered Rusk Asparagus Tips Butterfly Salad Key Lime Pie</p>	<p><b>29</b></p> <p>Pineapple Juice Broiled Bacon</p> <p>•</p> <p>Mushroom Soup Roast Beef Parslaid Potato Diced Harvard Beets Bunch of Greens Salad Orange Bread Pudding</p> <p>•</p> <p>Grilled Lamb Chop Escalloped Potatoes Green Salad Fresh Fruit Cup Toasted Angel Cake</p>	<p><b>30</b></p> <p>Orange Juice Sausage</p> <p>•</p> <p>Lime Juice Cocktail Chicken Pie With Biscuit Mashed Potatoes, Gravy Cauliflower and Peas Strawberry Ice Cream</p> <p>•</p> <p>Beef and Parsley Soup Macaroni and Cheese Asparagus Fresh Fruit Salad Sunshine Cake</p>
<p><b>31</b> Tomato Juice, Scrambled Eggs • Cream of Mushroom Soup, Frenched Haddock Fillet, Latticed Potatoes, Spinach, Green Citrus Cocktail, Marshchino Icebox Dessert • Rice and Celery Soup, Scrambled Eggs on Melba Toast Points, Asparagus Tips, Fresh Fruit Salad With Avocado, Butter Cake. Ready-to-eat or cooked cereal served on all breakfast menus.</p>					



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## MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION

# What Automation Does for Laundry Service

**By redesigning its laundry from two small, inadequate plants into one large, well planned and fully automated structure, this hospital increased laundry production from 260,000 to 800,000 pounds of linen per month, with a shorter work week**

**Horace W. Cooper, Joseph F. Krawiec, and David E. Dodson**

**T**HE laundry plant at Philadelphia State Hospital is one of the largest single institutional laundries in the world. It has more than 75,000 square feet of floor space. The modern, automatically controlled equipment is designed to serve the needs of 8000 patients and personnel.

The plant is the result of several years' careful planning in cooperation with leading laundry equipment manufacturers, architects and engineers; laundry research personnel from Pennsylvania State University, and representatives from the state department of welfare and the hospital.

At the time this article was prepared, Mr. Cooper was business manager of Philadelphia State Hospital. He has since retired. Dr. Krawiec is laundry technologist, Pennsylvania State University, and Mr. Dodson is laundry supervisor of Philadelphia State Hospital.

All work previously had been processed in two small, inadequate laundry plants. During the fiscal year 1946-47 these laundries processed approximately 260,000 pounds of soiled linen each month for a resident census of 7700. Good work was impossible because of overloaded wash-wheels and a short washing formula. In 1950 each plant was forced to operate on two eight-hour daily shifts, Monday through Friday and until noon on Saturday, to meet the increased demand for clean bedding and apparel. This working schedule was maintained until December 1953, when the new plant was opened.

The new plant can process some 800,000 pounds of laundry per month in a 40 hour work week. Approximately 250 patient workers are

assigned for laundry training under the supervision of 44 employees in the various laundry departments. The total cost of the new laundry was approximately \$1,700,000, of which \$1,000,000 was for the building and \$700,000 for equipment.

The over-all dimensions of the U-shaped building are: length, 355 feet; width, 161 feet, and height, 46 feet. The ceiling height of the main floor is approximately 19.5 feet. The washing, extracting, flatwork, rough-dry, pressing departments, the mechanics shop, and air conveyor system are located on the main floor. The loading platform can accommodate three large trucks simultaneously and is recessed into the building to provide proper protection during inclement weather.

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Three shake-out tumblers. One is unloading clothes into pneumatic conveyor hopper for transportation to driers.



Flatwork ironer area contains nine standard machines. At left is flatwork conveyor belt with tumblers in back.



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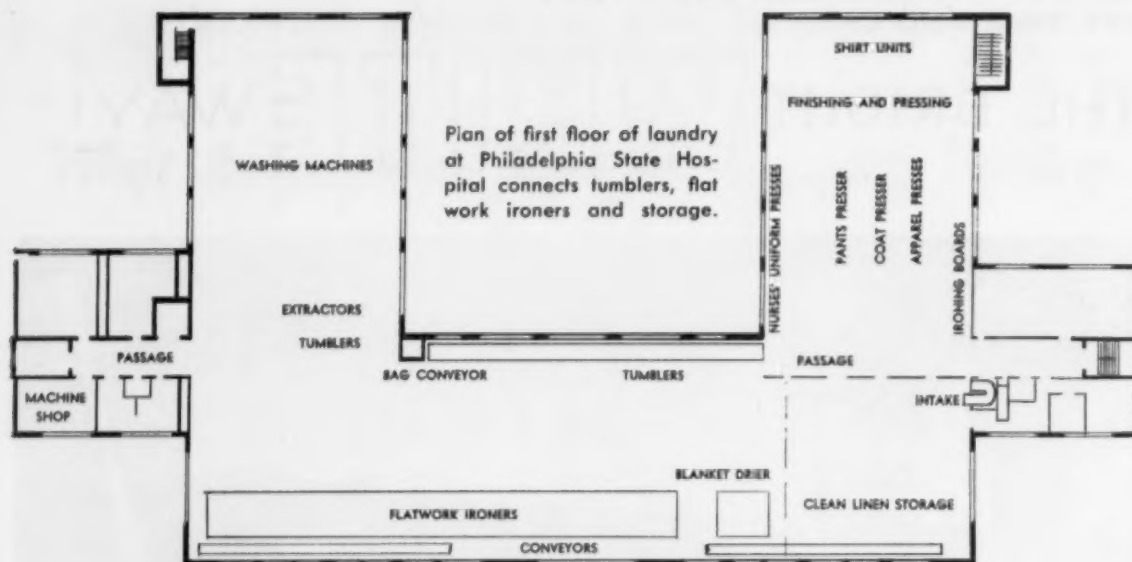
**SKETCH B:** "Can't Splash" Wringer; 16-to-1 leverage squeezes large mops dry with little more effort than it takes to shift gears in a car!

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A vertical lift (bag conveyor) moves all soiled work from the ground floor to the sorting room. A belt conveyor transports all finished flatwork, such as sheets, pillowcases, bedspreads, and hand towels, to the central distribution room on the ground floor. An electrically controlled pneumatic conveyor system transports the damp clean linens by air suction at a speed of nearly 60 miles per hour through 14 inch metal ducts to the flatwork ironers, tumbler driers, and pressing departments. The rough-dry garments and fabrics from the drying tumblers are carried through a similar system to the central distribution room on the ground floor below for folding, identification and delivery. A large freight elevator provides service for general use between all floors.

The vertical lift or bag conveyor is located near the recessed loading platform. Bagged soiled linens are removed from the motor trucks and placed on the bag conveyor which delivers them to the soiled linen room at the top floor, at the rate of five bags per minute, for sorting and weighing. If the bag conveyor should fail to operate properly the soiled linen can be transported on the freight elevator. It has a capacity of 3000 pounds and is capable of lifting a full load 32 feet to the top floor in about 30 seconds.

The central supplies room, located just to the left of the loading platform, contains a divided stock soap tank.

Each section of the soap tank has a capacity of approximately 2000 gallons. The prepared liquid soap stock mixture is pumped to the washwheels through a continuous pipe loop at the rate of 120 gallons per minute at a temperature of 150 to 155° F. There are also three rubber lined tanks, each with a capacity of 266 gallons, for chlorine bleach, sour and blue solutions. Each prepared mixture travels through lined pipes to each washwheel under 15 pounds air pressure.

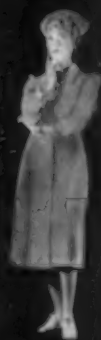
The mechanical equipment room, adjacent to the central supplies room, contains a dual water softening plant; three hot water generators; a heat reclaiming unit; a preheater; two hydropneumatic tanks, and one open surge tank. The two water softening units, each with 112 cubic feet of styrene synthetic resin zeolite, have an exchange rate of 26,000 grains of hardness per cubic foot. The flow rate of each softening unit is 350 gallons per minute. The two hydropneumatic tanks store 5000 gallons of softened water under 100 pounds air pressure so that a constant pressure can be maintained at the washwheels (through an automatic valve control) should the city water pressure drop below normal working pressure. The water supply in these two hydropneumatic tanks is replenished from an open surge tank by centrifugal pumps.

All the softened water heated in the three hot water generators passes

through a heat reclaimer (4 feet wide, 18 feet long, and 7 feet deep) with a series of coils through which the water travels. These coils have a total surface area of more than 3000 square feet, and are capable of raising the temperature of 22,000 gallons of water per hour from 40° F. to 90° F. The heat is reclaimed from the waste water dumped from the washwheels during the washing cycle. After the water leaves the heat reclaimer it continues to a preheater (14 feet long and 5 feet in diameter) where the temperature is further raised by utilizing the steam condensate from the equipment and heating units. This water then passes to a series of three hot water generators, each with a capacity of 3200 gallons, connected in parallel and heated with high pressure steam at boiler pressure.

The air compressor room has three single-stage, horizontal, water-cooled, double-acting compressors with 9 by 9 inch cylinder bore and stroke. Each air compressor is operated by a 20 h.p. motor and is capable of furnishing 135 cubic feet of air per minute at 100 pounds pressure. As the air leaves the compressor it passes through a water cooled after-cooler to remove moisture and lower the temperature.

The clean linen distribution center is located to the right of the recessed truck loading platform. This center receives all the finished linens from the flatwork ironers on a belt conveyor from the main floor above. The rough-



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View of the washroom showing eight of the 20 fully automatic washwheels, with one unloading into special truck.



Northeast wing contains the press room with 77 presses and 15 hand ironing boards for personal finishing.



Left: Sorting area with some of the 1160 steel classification cubicles used to segregate personnel laundry by lists.

dry garments and items from the drying tumblers arrive at the clean linen center through the air conveyor system and the finished work for personnel comes down a spiral chute. At the clean distribution linen center the linens and garments are sorted, assembled and checked out to the various buildings of the hospital.

All institutional items that require mending are removed from service at their respective finishing areas and sent to the laundry mending room. The laundry mending room restores thousands of items to serviceable condition each month.

The linen storage room, located between the clean linen distribution center and the mending room, is equipped with steel shelves adequately stocked with new linen and garments. Any damaged items that cannot be mended are replaced from stock. This system permits the laundry department to

keep an adequate supply of linen and garments in circulation.

The most vulnerable operation in any hospital laundry plant is maintenance, including efficient preventive maintenance. At Philadelphia State Hospital, a maintenance department was included within the laundry plant. The shop is equipped with the necessary tools, spare parts and equipment to make all primary repairs, adjustments and lubrication of all laundry machinery.

The washroom, extractor and shake-out departments are located in one wing. There are 20 fully automatic washwheels with pneumatic controls; 18 are 42 by 96 inches in size, each with a normal dry weight capacity of 320 pounds, two of which have dual speed motors that adapt the machines for slow speed laundering (10 to 12 r.p.m.) of woolens. The remaining two washwheels are 42 by 54 inches

in size, each with a normal dry weight capacity of 180 pounds. The washroom also has one small semiautomatic washwheel (36 by 54 inches in size) with a normal dry weight capacity of 130 pounds.

Every washing operation is carried out automatically by means of perforations on a special paper tape similar to a player piano roll. These perforations on the tape activate the various valves of the automatic control to measure and inject the supplies, select the proper water levels, attain proper washing temperatures, control the washing time of each cycle, close and open the dump valve, and signal and stop the machine at the end of the washing formula. Twenty of the 21 washwheels are loaded directly by gravity chutes which project downward from the soiled linen sorting room. The overhead soiled linen sorting room permits loading of the 20 washwheels by gravity and isolation of all the soiled linen, thereby preventing contamination of the laundered and processed linens and garments. The 20 fully automatic washwheels are of the unloading type which eliminate the backbreaking task of pulling laundered linens out of the washwheels.

The processed load in each washwheel is emptied into specially designed trucks of 160 pound capacity and are slid into the two hydraulic extractors for a seven minute extracting cycle. The excess water from the laundered fabrics is squeezed out rather than centrifuged. There are

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three standard 48 inch open-top extractors which are used primarily for centrifuging woolen garments, wearing apparel, and starched items not adapted to hydraulic extraction. A small 26 inch diameter solid curb extractor adjacent to the small wash-wheel completes the extracting department. This small washwheel and extractor handles the reruns and small lots.

Three large 72 inch diameter shake-out tumblers break up and shake out the tightly compressed cubes of linens from the hydraulic extractors. After

each cube of linens has been separated and properly shaken out, it is dumped onto tables from which it enters one of the four pneumatic conveyor systems for distribution to the various departments of the laundry plant.

Each pneumatic conveyor system is powered by a 60 h.p. motor located in the fan room near the laundry office. The air is drawn through 16 inch air ducts at the rate of approximately 60 miles per hour and the damp linens travel through 14 inch ducts at the same speed to the receiving stations. Three of these four systems that han-

dle the damp linens from the tumblers serve the flatwork ironers at the rate of 4300 pounds per hour. Sixteen specially designed canvas lined shake-out trucks (84 by 48 by 23 inches) with flared sides receive the loads that are dumped from the overhead collectors.

The fourth air conveyor system transports the damp garments and other items to the drying tumblers and the finishing department at the rate of 2300 pounds per hour. A fifth pneumatic conveyor system moves the dried rough-dry work from the drying tumblers to the ground floor distribution center at the rate of 3200 pounds per hour. The conveyor system reduces the need for many trucks, provides unobstructed working areas, and eliminates many man-hours of carting work to the various departments.

The flatwork department has seven six-roll, 110 inch width, standard ironers and 2 eight-roll 110 inch ironers with automatic folders. A continuous conveyor belt (225 feet by 24 inches wide) at the rear of the nine flatwork ironers carries all the folded flatwork to the distribution room on the ground floor. Along the wall opposite the flatwork ironers are five 42 by 120 inch three-pocket drying tumblers and three small 36 by 30 inch open end tumblers.

Two centralized lint collectors have eliminated lint screen on the individual driers. The lint-laden exhaust from the driers passes through a water spray which washes the lint into a net for easy disposal. This prevents the fire hazards of dry lint.

The five large drying tumblers each have a dry weight capacity of 160 pounds and the small driers a capacity of 32 pounds each. The drying tumblers are loaded automatically from an overhead storage hopper served by the conveyor system. The rough-dry work is dropped from the tumblers into the conveyor system receivers, mounted in front of each compartment, and carried to the distribution center for folding, sorting, segregation and shipment.

The finishing and pressing department is located in the other wing of the U-shaped building. This large room has spacious windows on three sides providing excellent natural light and ventilation. The pressing equipment in this department comprises 33 units of 77 individual presses. In addition each complete pressing unit has a stainless steel damp box and a spray gun. The finishing equipment



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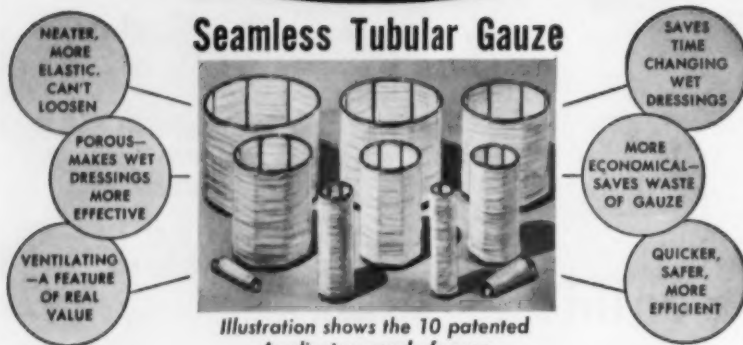


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2. The hot water supply in the former facilities was inadequate, seldom averaging more than 100° F. Heating of water in the washwheels to 160° F. (white classification formula) with live steam is a haphazard and inefficient laundry practice. Proper washing temperatures seldom are attained under such conditions, especially in the large 54 by 120 inch washwheels. Waste of alkali, soap and other supplies along with an inferior grade of work is the final result. The new laundry has an adequate constant supply of 180° F. hot water.

3. The washwheels in the former laundries were overloaded beyond normal capacities, and as a result, excessive quantities of alkali and soap were added in an attempt to produce fair quality work. In the new plant, washwheels are loaded to normal capacities — approximately four pounds of dry weight per cubic foot of space in the washwheel cylinder. Under these conditions it is possible to control the supplies and obtain the best work. Any washwheel that is supplied with lukewarm water, rather than hot water (160° F.), with 3.4 grains hardness per gallon and is overloaded becomes sluggish, inefficient and a wasteful consumer of washing supplies. The figures strongly indicate that softened water (zero grains per gallon) along with the processing of normal loads with an adequate supply of hot water (180° F.) are essential to produce best quality work and keep washing cost at the minimum. ■



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**A housekeeper and a purchasing agent of a large county hospital tell how standardized specifications result in cost savings and reduce the number of articles to be handled**

**Mildred F. O'Donnell**

**A**BOUT a year ago a standardization committee was organized by Alameda County Hospitals, Oakland, Calif., to set up specifications on bedding, clothing, mattress cores (foam rubber mattresses), rainwear, textiles, pillows and shade material.

Those serving on the committee were appointed by the administration. Represented were the director of housekeeping services of the three medical institutions, assistant director of Juvenile Hall, superintendent of the county building, a technical adviser from public works, a supply officer from the county jail, and the assistant purchasing agent for the county. Only three people on the committee were using products being standardized. The other three acted as a "balance" in case someone's preferences got out of hand.

The first consideration of the committee was to spell out specifications so that the purchasing department would have standards and could provide vendors with reasonable specifications to bid on.

Once the specifications are established and accepted, *no one* can change them unless a soundly reasoned request for a change is submitted in writing to the committee.

The format for developing standards and specifications will be ex-

plained by Eugene Nichols in his article written from the purchaser's point of view (p. 166). He, as a purchasing agent, and I, as a housekeeper, feel that we have benefited so much from the committee's work that we would like to share the results.

The principle used in setting up standards was to minimize the number of items to *conform to the best usage for the greatest number*. For instance, the three medical institutions had used dressing towels with borders in five different colors and striped towels in two different colors. Although name woven sheets, pillowcases and towels were used, some of the institutions used two colors, one for the hospital, another for the residential quarters. Here, then, was an area for simplification. Two dressing towels, only, were standardized — a border towel and a stripe. Colors in name woven materials were used to denote institutions, that is, blue for one, green for another, and so on. Employees' linens were simply marked "EMP" with a marking pen.

Another standard was determined for definite colors for adults' and children's pajamas. Extra tops were purchased for adults as tops wear out more quickly. The children's pajamas are bought in color according to size: pink, 2 to 4; blue, 4 to 8, and green, 8 to 12.

Standardization, therefore, has served two purposes for housekeeping;

it has cut down the number of articles to be handled and has simplified matching articles, such as adult and children's pajamas, by color. It is good to know that we shall always be able to match pajamas and can pick up the children's pajamas to size by color.

Salesmen no longer put pressure on the housekeeper to buy products. Through education they know that our specification do not change.

Specifications have given us good quality merchandise at a good price. How good, Mr. Nichols points out in his article.

The outgrowth of this committee has been proper ordering procedures. The purchasing department is given a list of requirements for our institutions by July 1 and knows through prearrangement that all three medical institutions will order supplies simultaneously every three months. This assures the housekeeping department of prompt deliveries. Purchasing, on the other hand, must realize savings, which, at the same time, keep down housekeeping costs.

Another tremendous advantage of established specifications has been the simplification in writing requisitions. No longer is time spent writing long detailed specifications. One merely orders "as per specs."

In addition to these advantages, I have gained much knowledge through association with other county sections.

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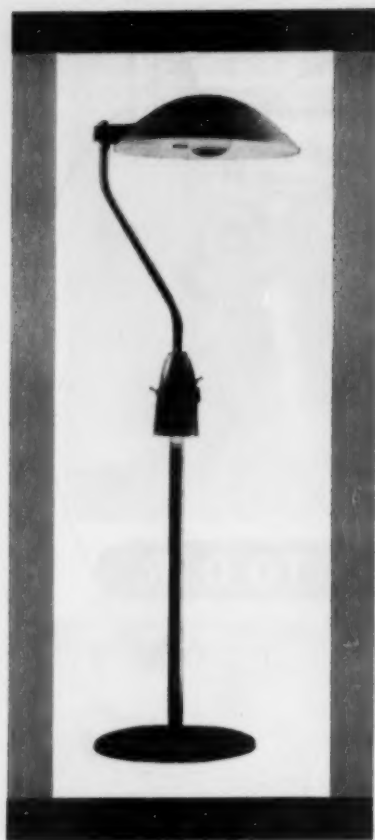
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## **Simplification and Standardization Both Help To Reduce Number, Cost of Purchase Orders**

**Eugene Nichols**

**O**F THE many purchasing tools available to the purchasing agent, standardization is perhaps the most useful. Also closely allied to standardization is simplification.

To give an example of simplification, this happened in our county: Through a study of the county requirements by the standards subcommittee on clothing and textiles, we were amazed to find a repetition of several items under different names. For instance, "coats, doctors'"; "coats, laboratory technician"; "smocks, laboratory." When you multiply these by three major hospitals and the health department that use this garment, it becomes quite a substantial item. This led us to examine this particular item to determine what the special requirements were for each garment.

It developed that these garments were very similar in construction and also, apparently, in use. A meeting was held with the medical and technical staffs to discuss these variations and try to bring them into agreement on one garment. This agreement was reached with no difficulty. Thus, through simplification, we are now ordering one garment for all uses in this area.

To standardize on doctors' coats, the question was asked: What does the county require in the way of a doctor's coat? The weight of material was considered; the number of pockets and their location; the type of button, detachable or fast; belt, and the stitching in the seams. The following are our detailed standard specifications for doctors' coats: These coats are to be made of white sanforized cotton jean twill; the weight of the material is to be 2.85 pounds per yard; knee length coat style with four-button front, detachable pearl buttons, long sleeves, one breast pocket, and two hip patch pockets, with reinforced side slash opening; all seams are to be flat felled

and sewed with two-needle stitch, number of stitches per inch to the seam is 10 to 12. The 10 to 12 stitches per inch were determined after certain tests using the Scott testing procedure. These are now the standard specifications for doctors' coats in the county of Alameda and cannot be changed without the permission of the standards committee.

In checking the saving on this item, I found that in the past year we made seven separate purchases of doctors' coats. The cost to this county to make a purchase is estimated at \$10 per purchase order. This includes sending out bids, receiving at our central stores, and transshipping to the using department. Last year the seven purchases cost the county \$70.

Under the new specifications, there will be one purchase order at \$10, or a saving of \$60 on this item alone.

In our subsequent discussions, the same situation developed in many areas, *i.e.* shoes, blue jean trousers, and chambray shirts, to name a few.

Savings from this combination of simplification and standardization are many. Now we can put out one bid and make one purchase for all the county's requirements for a year's use. Specifications are such that we are assured of ample competition at a competitive price.

The best specifications written would have no value if the material purchased were not tested and inspected to see if it meets our requirements. It therefore becomes the duty of the subcommittee on textiles and clothing to check out each shipment as it is delivered. This inspection has two main advantages: to catch possible errors by the shipping department, and to control the unscrupulous supplier who may try to palm off garments which do not meet our specifications.

Our goal is to incorporate requirements, set definite standards, and establish detailed specifications to be used as a basis for future purchases on all items used by this county. ■

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Little that is constructive can be said upon the question of efficiency, as such, because it is to be taken for granted that every chief officer seeks to obtain the most efficient staff available. Efficiency is so frequently a technical matter (e.g. shorthand and typing speeds) that there is sometimes a tendency to divorce it entirely from personal qualities.

Such a view of efficiency is, in general, a mistake, certainly as regards

senior and intermediate officers whose performance must be looked at as a whole and who cannot really be regarded as "efficient" if they are efficient only in a technical sense but are deficient in personal qualities of leadership and cooperation. Efficiency in the narrow technical sense may even be a menace, and it is not infrequently that one encounters the department head whose own standards of performance are so high and whose standards of toleration and understanding so low that none of his subordinates is able to give satisfaction.

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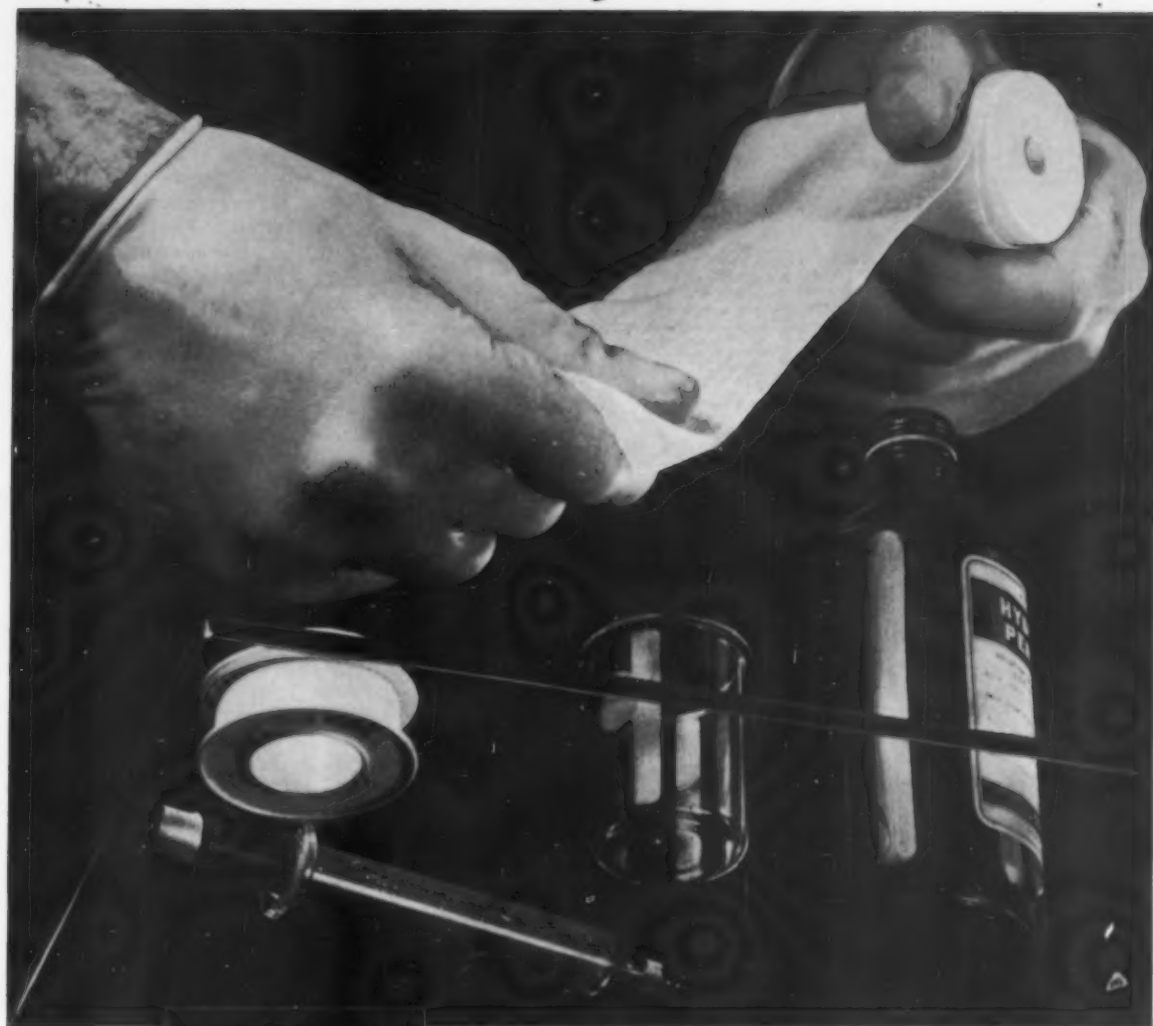
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When such a situation exists there is stress, disturbance and high staff turnover in that particular department. How can such a departmental chief be considered efficient if he cannot keep his department running smoothly and happily? It is, in practice, much better to aim at 90 per cent efficiency with a happy, secure and contented staff, than to strive always for 100 per cent efficiency at the cost of a disgruntled, stressful and antagonistic staff. In hospitals, "efficiency," as such, is to some extent suspect; "effectiveness" is a much better concept.

It is for the chief officer to create an atmosphere in which members of his staff can work most effectively. Although he may not choose to issue detailed instructions, he should nevertheless ensure that each member of his staff knows pretty accurately where his responsibilities begin and end, where he may act upon his initiative, and where he should refer upwards for a decision. As a general rule, responsibility should be delegated wherever possible so that decisions can be taken as close as possible to the circumstances and factors upon which decision can be made. It is a common error to assume that responsibility cannot be safely delegated. Most subordinate officers respond to responsibility and do not abuse or misuse it.

Although there may be some exceptions, an organization that provides for all decisions, small as well as large, to be made at the highest level is usually defective and inefficient. It carries the seeds of its own destruction in that, in time, all subordinate officers become incapable of making decisions while the chief officer wastes most of his time in deciding matters too small to warrant his attention and too remote for him to understand. As hospitals are forced by the circumstances of their work to provide for decisions to be taken at so many levels other than the highest, they do not, in general, suffer as do some other organizations from the type of overcentralization referred to.

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The need to reduce infection hazards to the irreducible minimum also determined the arrangement of the central clean-up and decontamination area of the dispatch center, which is illustrated and described in detail on the back of the insert. Mr. Friesen views with alarm the tendency in many hospitals to classify soiled objects as "ordinarily dirty" and "very dirty" — depending on the origin of the soil. Since public health authorities believe that there is more chance of cross-infection in undiagnosed cases than there is in those which are known to be infectious, Mr. Friesen considers it only logical to treat all soiled articles as if they were infectious.

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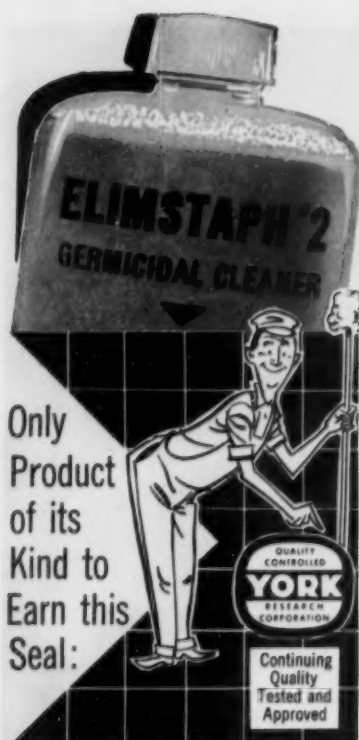
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## When Nurses Are Negligent They Are Held Liable

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established by evidence of the inaction of the nurses in the presence of signals of danger which would have moved a reasonably intelligent attendant promptly to import a competent physician for the purpose of taking necessary precautions to prevent the development of the disease.

"For a supervisory nurse to permit a patient recovering from a major operation to suffer symptoms indicating a growing pathology for three days without medical care merely because attendant physicians were not available is a type of conduct that is negligent."<sup>2</sup>

### Boundary Hard To Detect

Often difficult of detection however, is the boundary line between the conduct of the nurse which is the execution of the orders of the attending physician, for which he and not the nurse, is ordinarily responsible, and acts for which the responsibility is hers alone.

Such an incident was the subject of a controversy that was before the California courts for more than four years. There a hospital nurse was directed by a surgeon to prepare for a minor operation and told that he would need for a local anesthetic a 1 percent solution of novocain.

On a tray the nurse assembled various articles, a knife, forceps, sterilized towels, gauze, a syringe and similar equipment, but instead of the novocain she carelessly supplied a medicine glass of a four per cent solution of formalin.

Before operating the surgeon made a cursory inspection of the tray. Then, taking up the syringe he drew into it the liquid in the medicine glass and injected three or four drops into the vicinity of the cyst he was about to remove. While the jury in the action subsequently brought by this patient exonerated the physician a verdict was returned against both the hospital and the nurse individually.

In its distinction here between the liability imposed on the hospital and the nurse and the exoneration of the surgeon the court said of the law governing the circumstances in this instance:

"A physician is not liable for the negligence of a hospital, or their

nurses, attendants or interns who are not his employees, if he has no knowledge thereof or has no connection therewith, or if it is not discoverable by him in the exercise of ordinary care, or unless he is negligent in permitting them to attend the patient.

"But it has been held that where a hospital nurse, although not in the regular employ of an operating surgeon, is under his special supervision and control during the operation, the relation of master and servant exists and that the surgeon is liable for the nurse's negligence."

Supporting its conclusion with this statement of the law the court added, "We think it plain from the evidence that the acts of preparation performed by the nurse were not done under the special supervision of the surgeon. On the contrary, as we have seen, they were performed in his absence.

"That they were done at his request or direction is not significant since she was merely attending to duties devolving upon her as an employee of the hospital, and whether performed by her at the direction of an officer of the hospital made in pursuance of a previous direction by the doctor or upon the request of the doctor made directly to her, cannot affect the legal situation."

### Nurse Was Negligent

With this statement of the relative liability of the physician and the hospital, the court added, "This leaves for consideration the appeal of the nurse. It could hardly be contended that the nurse was not guilty of negligence in furnishing the surgeon a solution of formalin in place of the novocain requested.

"The evidence shows that the nurse was quite familiar with the characteristics of novocain and formalin, that she was in charge of the cabinet in the operating room in which they were kept and had been for nearly two years, that it was among her duties to replenish from time to time as necessary the drugs and other substances kept in the cabinet, among them novocain and formalin, which were contained in bottles, each labeled with the name of its contents.

"She accounted for her mistake by frankly admitting that she took no pains to read the label on the formalin bottle before pouring part of its contents into the medicine glass."<sup>3</sup> ■

<sup>2</sup>Valentin v. La Societe Francaise de Bienfaisance, 172 Pac. 2d 359, California, Sept. 6, 1949.

<sup>3</sup>Hallinan v. Prindle, 29 Pac. 2d 202, California, Feb. 1, 1954.



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# NEWS DIGEST

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## Hospital Unionization Threat Discussed by A.H.A. Officials at Texas Hospital Meeting

HOUSTON. — The American Hospital Association is not anti-labor, but it is alarmed over the growing threat of unionization of hospitals, two officials of the A.H.A. explained in a discussion here at the 30th annual meeting of the Texas Hospital Association.

Fred Higginbotham, administrator of Baptist Memorial Hospital, San Antonio, was named president-elect of the state group at the convention.

"The union position is a perfectly defensible one," said Dr. Russell A. Nelson, "but not in the care of the sick in a nonprofit hospital. Union activity is usually against management and profits, but in a hospital, management doesn't suffer and there are no profits to suffer. The patient is the one who is hurt."

Unionization of hospitals, he added, would put substantial power over the operation of services to the sick in the hands of a special group dedicated to its own interests.

Dr. Nelson, A.H.A. president-elect, is director of Johns Hopkins Hospital, Baltimore.

James E. Hague, A.H.A. assistant director and executive editor of *Hospitals*, pointed out that the threat of hospital unionization is anything but a local problem. He said that threats of strike against hospitals are being made in Buffalo, N.Y.; Portland, Ore.; Fresno, Calif. and Denver.

The two association officials also made the following points:

— Higher salaries mean a substantial hike in patient day charges. An American Hospital Association study has shown that if hospital wages are increased so that no employee makes less than \$1.25 per hour, the minimum payroll increase in the U.S. would be \$3.15 per patient day.

— Unionization may hinder voluntary support of nonprofit hospitals. If

this happens, the speakers warned, there can be only two alternatives: limited services to patients or government support.

The possibility of a strike by employees in Texas hospitals was minimized by Philip Overton, legal counsel for the Texas Hospital Association.

"Ninety per cent of these employees work in nonprofit hospitals and could simply be fired in case of organized labor disputes," he said. "The other 10 per cent work in privately owned hospitals."

Disenchantment with current Blue Cross practices in New Jersey underscored much of Anthony W. Eckert's presentation at a prepayment session. Mr. Eckert is president of the American College of Hospital Administrators and director of Perth Amboy Hospital, Perth Amboy, N.J.

"While I as an individual feel that Blue Cross gives me more in terms of hospital care for my payments than any other prepayment plan," he said, "I also feel that our New Jersey Blue Cross Plan is short-changing our hospitals."

Mr. Eckert said that Perth Amboy Hospital had cancelled its contract with New Jersey Blue Cross despite the fact that 54 per cent of the hospital's patients had this coverage.

He said that after nine months of operation without a Blue Cross contract, many unnecessary hospital admissions and much over-utilization had been eliminated.

"I personally believe," he said, "that hospital services are being over-utilized and abused."

In a report on the experience of Harris Hospital, Ft. Worth, with progressive patient care, Dr. Nealie Ross said that the hospital's 13 bed, critically ill unit was staffed each eight-hour

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## Editorial Award Given to The Modern Hospital

CHICAGO. — An award for editorial excellence has been presented to The MODERN HOSPITAL by Industrial Mar-



keting in its annual editorial achievement competition.

The award was for a series of 11 articles on the problem of infection in hospitals which appeared in the January 1958 issue and the March through December 1958 issues.

## Otho Ball Award Given

CHICAGO. — Fred Hatcher Smith has been named recipient of the Otho Ball Memorial Fund postgraduate training award, given annually by the American College of Hospital Administrators. Mr. Smith, who is currently completing requirements for his graduate degree in hospital administration from Washington University, plans to serve his extended residency at Barnes Hospital, St. Louis, where he has been undertaking his required year of residency training.

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## Describe Program of Infections Committee For Upper Midwest Hospital Conference

ST. PAUL.—An infections committee should be directed by a properly qualified physician with the support of bacteriological consultation, David A. Gee, associate director of Jewish Hospital, St. Louis, told an audience of 2400 at the 12th Upper Midwest Hospital Conference, May 13 to 15 in St. Paul.

Mr. Gee was one of a panel of three from the hospital who presented the major general session of the conference. By request of the participants, all section and special meetings were suspended Thursday morning to hear the program on "Organization and Operation of a Hospital Staphylococcal Program."

The successful design and implementation of the Jewish Hospital operation was described by Dr. Kenneth Serkes, associate in surgery, and Alex Sonnenworth, hospital bacteriologist, as well as by Mr. Gee.

The first year of the Jewish Hospital program will cost about \$87,000, Mr. Gee said, and subsequent annual costs will be about \$44,000, amounting to a per patient day additional cost of about 50 cents. He stressed the importance of an active and interested board of directors in backing the program, which ranges from a greatly expanded employee health service to new isolation procedures for patients, all involving an active educational and supervisory program.

Other general sessions in the conference, which attracted a total of 4700, concerned care of the chronic and aged, prepaid medical and hospital care, and progressive patient care.

Two Canadians, Dr. F. B. Roth, deputy minister in the Saskatchewan public health department, and Stanley W. Martin, secretary-treasurer of the Ontario Hospital Association, described the development of provincial health care plans. "Public acceptance (of Saskatchewan's tax supported hospital plan) has been enthusiastic from the start," Dr. Roth said, but "acceptance by hospitals and the health professions was slower to develop. It is my candid and honest opinion," he added, "that the hospitals, the medical, nursing and other health professions are now firm and even enthusiastic supporters."

Robert M. Sigmond, executive di-

rector of the Hospital Council of Western Pennsylvania, outlined a program which voluntary hospitals might follow in strengthening the role of voluntary prepaid insurance.

He urged leadership by hospitals themselves in developing effective plans to meet community needs, on



Harold C. Mickey, (left) past president of the Upper Midwest Hospital Conference and newly elected president, Richard Lubben.

the premise that "the future of voluntary hospitals will be largely determined by current developments in the extension of group payment."

Richard Lubben, administrator of Bozeman Deaconess Hospital, Bozeman, Mont., succeeded Harold Mickey of Rochester Methodist Hospital, Rochester, Minn., as president of the regional conference. New president-elect, to take office in 1980, is J. E. Robinson, superintendent of Children's Hospital of Winnipeg, Winnipeg, Manito.

## A.C.H.A. Begins Drive For \$375,000 Fund

CHICAGO. — A \$375,000 fund is being sought by the board of regents of the American College of Hospital Administrators in a campaign headed by Dr. Fraser D. Mooney, director of Buffalo General Hospital, Buffalo, N.Y.

The A.C.H.A. is seeking the money from voluntary contributions to finance continuation of preceptors training and a revision of the residency manual; a Regents Resources Fund; research; scholarships and loans, and exploratory educational conferences, the College announced.

## Waukesha Medical Staff, Board Resolve Dispute On Specialists Contracts

WAUKESHA, WIS. — Compromise agreement has brought at least a temporary end to a proxy fight between Waukesha Memorial Hospital's medical staff and board of trustees over a bill pending in the state legislature. The bill would authorize hospitals to contract for the services of certain medical specialists.

The campaign by the medical staff to obtain proxy votes to unseat three members of the board of trustees arose after the board voted endorsement of the bill, 129A. The medical staff members claimed that they were not given an opportunity to present their views before the board and that they were not represented by the trustees.

The medical staff and the trustees finally confirmed these agreements:

1. Both parties agree to withhold further consideration or action on Bill 129A until the bill takes final form in the legislature or a ruling is received from the attorney general on the legality of present contracts between the hospital and certain specialists.

2. Any active campaign to solicit proxies by the board of trustees and medical staff will be temporarily suspended.

Bill 129A authorizes nonprofit hospitals to contract for services in radiology, pathology, psychiatry and anesthesia. Robert M. Jones, administrator of Waukesha Memorial, said two radiologists, two pathologists, one psychiatrist and one electrocardiographist are presently under contract at the hospital.

The board contended that the bill would only assure the legality of current practice and is the only practical way for hospitals to utilize these specialized services. An opinion was requested from the state attorney general on the legality of contracts now in effect at the hospital.

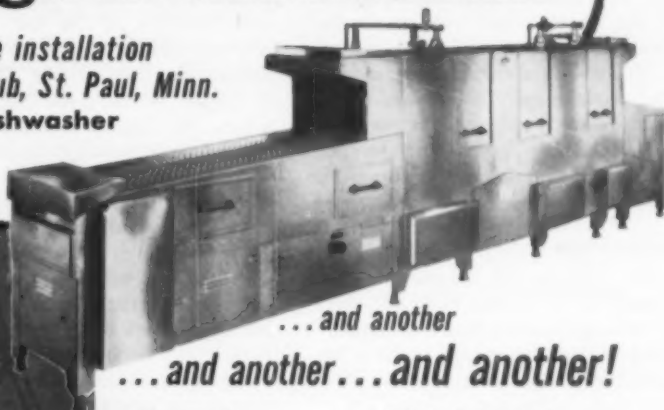
The 55 doctors on the hospital staff had contended that the bill constitutes fee splitting, jeopardizes the individual doctor-patient relationship, is the corporate practice of medicine, and could lead to socialized medicine.

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## N.L.N. Votes To Control Accreditation Policy

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ciate degree programs. However, the members of the board thought it desirable for them to bring to the council of member agencies and the steering committee a resume of their thinking on this problem inasmuch as it involves the N.L.N.'s over-all relationship with another organization, which is the function and concern of the board."

This resume of the steering committee's thinking led to the revised statement on accreditation policy that was overwhelmingly approved at the special session preceding the League's biennial convention.

### Convention Activities

The firmness of purpose demonstrated by the League in its approach to nursing accreditation was emphasized in her presidential address by Miss Freeman, who equated it with a new maturity for the League.

"The confidence we feel in our values," she said, "leads us to greater acceptance of different values in others. We move without fear or hostility to joint efforts with organizations who

see things differently. We can recognize the stake of the American Hospital Association in accreditation of hospital schools of nursing, and accept the fact that the purposes and direction of that organization may lead them to different concepts of that function. This base of understanding permits fruitful action in spite of our differences."

It was obviously this base of understanding to which Miss Freeman referred when, at the last business meeting of the convention, she told the membership that, despite differences of opinion between the N.L.N. and A.H.A., the hospital association, even at the time it passed its accreditation resolution, recognized the value of accreditation, the need for programs in nursing to be educationally sound, and the need for high accreditation standards. She told her audience that she believed that the A.H.A. action did not express lack of confidence in the League and certainly not in the accreditation program, but rather demonstrated a real concern of hospital administrators as to what share they might have in this over-all process of accreditation.

"A.H.A. members were concerned," she said, "partly with the problem of

spreading the costs of nursing education which are, in many instances, passed on in terms of cost of the hospitalization to the patient. They wanted to see whether they could spread this cost over all of the hospitals rather than just over the hospitals that maintain schools of nursing."

### On Diploma Programs

Whether related or unrelated to the hospital association concern for the future of diploma programs in nursing, the approval in principle at this convention of a statement of belief concerning these programs by members of the department of diploma and associate degree programs should come as good news to those nurses in education and service and hospital administrators who have asked repeatedly for such an expression. The statement reads:

"Nursing in broad scope is a profession that employs persons with varying degrees of ability and preparation. There is a need for educational programs designed to prepare these persons. In order to assist in maintaining and increasing the number of registered nurses required to meet the expanding demands for nursing services, the N.L.N. believes that

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### Convention Planned

PARIS. — The sixth annual convention of Les Techniciens de la Sante will be held at Exposition Park, Porte de Versailles, Paris, June 9 through 12. The program will include talks on hospital design, management and professional routine, with particular emphasis on construction and equipment.

### Study Finds Three Areas Of Nurses' Discontent

NEW YORK. — Three main problem areas were identified as responsible for an abnormal rate of nursing personnel turnover at a midwestern hospital, according to a study reported in a recent issue of the *American Journal of Nursing*.

The problem areas were: "the debilitating effects of understaffing, the lack of an adequate communication channel between staff and management, and the absence of a clear definition of nursing roles and personnel policies.

"Several problems were closely related to the shortage of personnel throughout the hospital," the *Journal* reported. They included "floating," or shifting from ward to ward which prevents the formation of efficient, stable groups; interpersonal tensions arising among nurses who feel unable, by virtue of their limited numbers, to accomplish the work that must be done, and certain personnel policies such as the method of assignment of days off, the study found.

"More than one-half of the nurses surveyed indicated some confusion about their professional roles. There

seemed to be a discrepancy between the hospital's expectations of the nurse and her own view of the functions that she should perform. The nurses felt that . . . such nonnursing tasks as clerical work and transporting equipment were performed at the expense of patient care. This discrepancy between the 'ideal' and the 'actual' professional role was frustrating," the *Journal* article said.

The nurses' suggestions for improvement included hiring more clerical assistants. They also felt that inservice education for nursing aides and housekeeping personnel would prepare those auxiliary workers for efficient functioning on the wards. Nurses would then be free to spend more time with their patients, the survey showed.

### Extends Nursing Course

NEW HAVEN, CONN. — Extension of the present one-year graduate course of study to two years at the Yale University school of nursing has been announced by Florence S. Schorske, dean of the school. The curriculum revisions are in public health nursing, maternal and newborn nursing, and mental health and psychiatric nursing.

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## Two Radiologists Suspended in New York

BINGHAMTON, N.Y. — Two top radiologists were suspended by Binghamton City Hospital on grounds that they had falsified records of radiation given a cancer patient who died of radiation burns, the Associated Press reported May 12.

According to the report, the board said that the two radiologists originally filed an accurate version of the treatments but later substituted an account that alleged that proper doses had been given.

## Cleveland Council Elects

CLEVELAND. — Edwin W. Miller, director of Huron Road Hospital, has been elected president of the Cleveland Hospital Council, succeeding Stanley A. Ferguson, director of University Hospitals, who had been president for the last five years. Other newly elected officers are: first vice president, Theodore Thoburn, president of St. Luke's Hospital; second vice president, Sidney Lewine, director of Mt. Sinai Hospital, and treasurer, Michael Wach, Cleveland Board of Education.

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## Western Program Features Lecture on Leadership

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were put on the record by George U. Wood, executive vice president of the Peralta Hospital, Oakland, Calif., who was impressed with the quality of medical care that was evident in the hospitals he visited on a tour of Russia last fall. Patient accommodations were austere by our standards, Mr. Wood said, but the hospitals he visited were well equipped professionally, and the doctor-patient relationship was not visibly affected by the fact that the

360,000 practicing physicians in the U.S.S.R. are all employees of the Ministry of Health.

Some techniques differ from ours, Mr. Wood reported. For example, he visited one huge operating room where three operations — a gastric resection, a gallbladder and a hernia — were being performed simultaneously by women surgeons. There were 67 people in the operating room at the time, Mr. Wood said.

Notwithstanding this and other practices we might call bizarre, Mr. Wood reported an over-all impression

of high quality medical care. "Their equipment is good," he concluded. "Their setup exemplifies progressive medicine and surgery and public health activities."

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Top: Mayor Richard J. Daley (left) greets John W. Rankin, president of the Tri-State Hospital Assembly. Center: Adiel Stewart, mayor of Salt Lake City (right) with Prof. James A. Hamilton, University of Minnesota, at the Association of Western Hospitals meeting. Bottom: Mayor Roe Bartle of Kansas City, Mo., (left) at Mid-West Association banquet. James Carr of Casper, Wyo., the retiring president, is shown at right.

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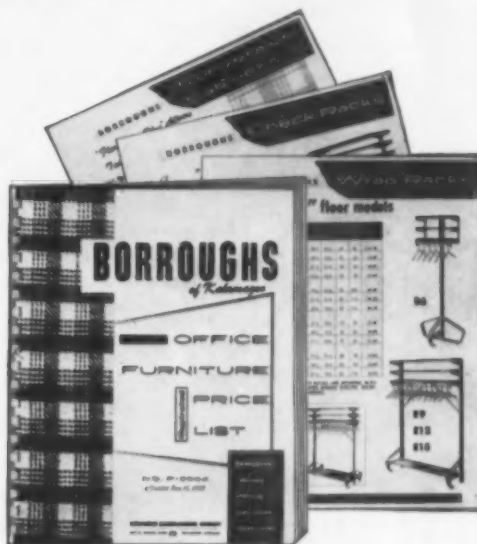
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was rejected by one of nursing's leading intellects — Eleanor C. Lambertsens, secretary of the American Hospital Association's nursing committee, who championed the diploma schools in a panel discussion that also included representatives of the practical nurse, junior college, and college programs.

"The faculty in the university is out of touch with reality in nursing," Miss Lambertsens said, attacking the intellectuals' position that nursing education belongs in educational institutions rather than in hospitals. The faculty in a diploma school, in contrast, is "deeply enmeshed" in the hospital all the time, she pointed out.

The nurse needs preparation in four areas, and the hospital is the proper environment for teaching all the needed skills, including competence in practice, communications, human relations, and the application of scientific principles to nursing, Miss Lambertsens concluded.

Clyde W. Fox, administrator of the Washoe Medical Center, Reno, Nev., was named president-elect of the association at the annual business meeting. Mr. Fox will succeed Wesley G.

## Ray Brown Talks Strategy to Federal Administrators

CHICAGO. — Strategy is an essential element in the art of administration and the successful administrator knows and uses a dozen or more different kinds of strategy, singly or in combination, as the problem or situation may demand.

The nature of strategy in hospital administration was described by Ray E. Brown, superintendent of the University of Chicago Clinics and past president of the American Hospital Association, at a dinner for federal hospital administrators during the Tri-State Hospital Assembly here last month.

Strategy is simply the chosen method for implementing decisions and producing action, Mr. Brown told 300 administrators attending the dinner, and it may be separated from other elements of the art of administration, such as judgment, climate and common sense.

Among the kinds of administrative strategy described by Mr. Brown were the following:

1. The strategy of timing or "opportuneness," or choosing the precise moment at which to act.



Left: Rex von Krohn, Josephine General Hospital, Grant's Pass, Ore., appeared in western dress at the Western hospital meeting to celebrate Oregon's centennial. Right: James McAlvin, administrator, Anaheim (Calif.) Memorial Hospital.

Lamer, Physicians and Surgeons Hospital, Portland, Ore., who became president during the convention. Ralph J. Hromadka, Santa Monica Hospital, Santa Monica, Calif., was the retiring president.

Other officers elected were Thomas P. Langdon, San Francisco, and Ray Woodham, Albuquerque, N.M., vice presidents; and Clifton H. Linville, Fresno, Calif., treasurer.

2. The strategy of decisiveness or confidence; acting with authority even when some uncertainty about the course of action may exist.

3. The strategy of ambiguity, or withholding the commitment until the moment of action arrives.

4. Strategy of obliqueness, or proceeding by indirection.

5. Choice of the least controversial approach.

6. Compromise or integration.

7. The strategy of flexibility, leaving the administrator room in which to maneuver.

8. Simplification, or elimination of tangential factors.

9. The strategy of "underbuilding," or keeping expectations within reasonable limits.

10. The strategy of involvement, getting people in the organization involved in a course of action, though not participating in the decision.

11. Confirming the commitment.

12. The strategy of the "hidden hand," or having someone other than the administrator lead.

These and other strategies are characteristic of administrative behavior and essential to the art of administration, Mr. Brown concluded.



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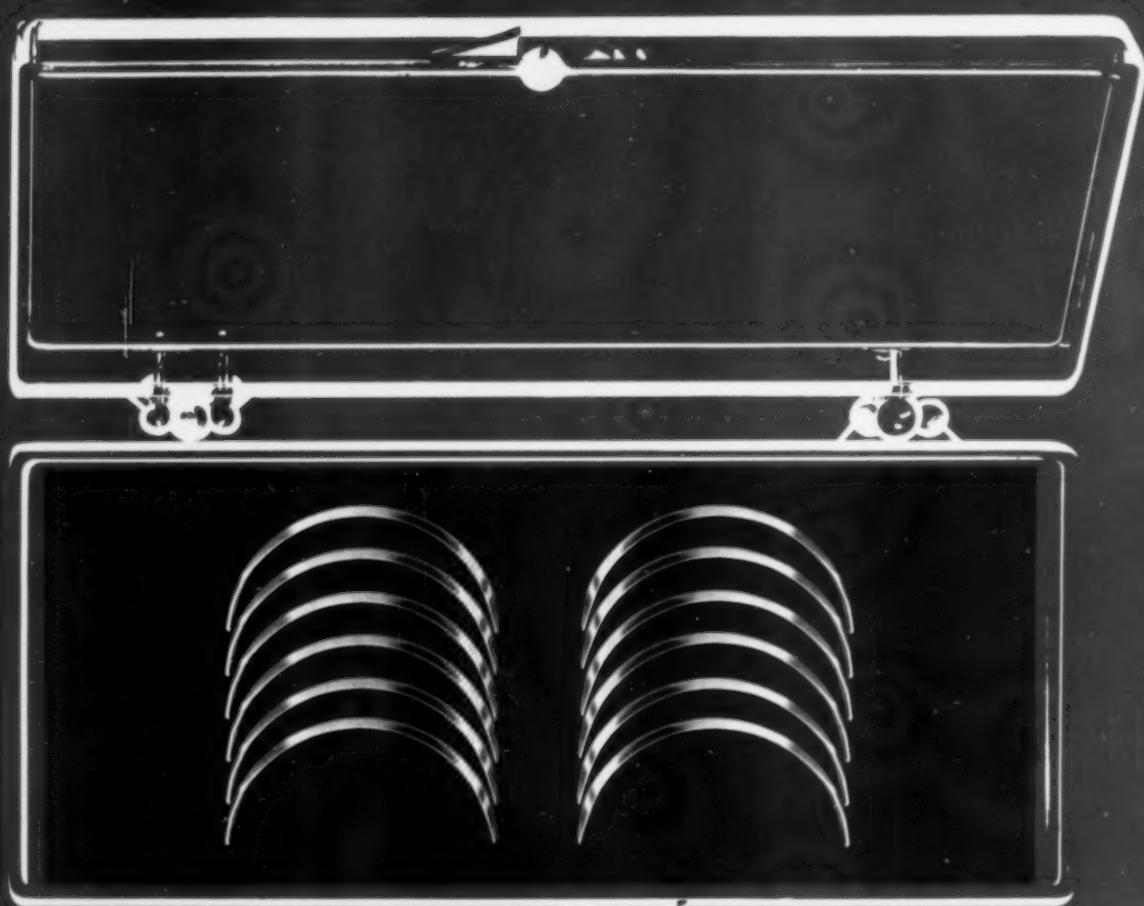
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AMERICAN DIETETIC ASSOCIATION, Shrine Auditorium, Los Angeles, Aug. 25-28.

AMERICAN HOSPITAL ASSOCIATION, The Coliseum, New York, Aug. 24-27.

AMERICAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION, Convention Hall, Atlantic City, June 8-12.

ARIZONA HOSPITAL ASSOCIATION, Monte Vista Hotel, Flagstaff, Oct. 8, 9.

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NATIONAL REHABILITATION ASSOCIATION, Boston, Oct. 26-28.

NEW HAMPSHIRE HOSPITAL ASSOCIATION, Mountain View House, Whitefield, June 18, 19.

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SASKATCHEWAN HOSPITAL ASSOCIATION, Bessborough Hotel, Saskatoon, Oct. 14-16.

## Pharmacists Elect Colina

ATLANTA. — Gilbert Colina, chief pharmacist of Mercy Hospital, Charlotte, N.C., was installed as president of the Southeastern Society of Hospital Pharmacists at its annual meeting here recently. Others taking office were: vice president, Perry E. Cox, Birmingham, Ala., and secretary-treasurer, Mary Wernersbach, Miami Beach.

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## A.H.A. Officials Discuss Hospital Unionization

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shift with four registered nurses, one practical nurse, and one nursing aide. Charges are \$35 per day in the unit, said Dr. Ross, a member of the hospital's medical board.

Sister Mary Helen, administrator of St. Paul Hospital, Dallas, reported that 20 per cent of the hospital's patients are eligible for the self-help unit. Charges per day at the hospital, she said, are \$11 in the self-help unit; \$18 in the intermediate unit, and \$22 in the intensive care unit.

The future of disposables in hospitals continues to be bright, panelists agreed, although they are a mixed blessing to institutions concerned with an economical operation.

Ray E. Brown, superintendent of the University of Chicago Clinics, listed three criteria for evaluating re-usables and disposables.

1. Comparable costs. These are difficult to obtain, he said, because they should include both avoidable and unavoidable costs. Too often, he said, hospitals take on the added expense of disposables without a compensating reduction in the payroll.

2. Degree of quality control. A manufacturer producing a large volume can usually control quality better than a small volume producer, he said.

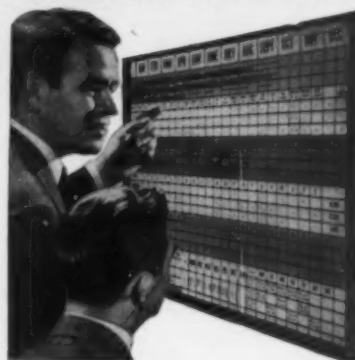
3. Inventory control. Disposables require more storeroom space, material handling, and operating funds, he said. Controlling thievery and the volume of an item used are also more difficult with disposables, he pointed out.

The four-day meeting, held May 11 through May 14, attracted more than 3600 guests. A convention feature was the first session of the newly organized house of delegates of the Texas Hospital Association. In addition to President-Elect Fred Higginbotham, officers elected included: Sister Mary Vincent, administrator, Santa Rosa Hospital, San Antonio, vice president; Albert H. Scheidt, Parkland Memorial Hospital, Dallas, treasurer.

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William G. George to Ellis Hospital, Schenectady, N.Y.; William A. Hurlburt to Muhlenberg Hospital, Plainfield, N.J.; Arthur J. Jarvis to Danbury Hospital, Danbury, Conn.; Raymond M. Jefferson Jr. to U.S. Public Health Service Hospital, Stapleton, Staten Island, N.Y.; Robert L. Judy to Jefferson Medical College and Medical Center, Philadelphia.

Marvin B. Klein to Lebanon Hospital, New York; Harry E. Landbo to Palo Alto-Stanford Hospital Center, Palo Alto, Calif.; Otto E. Lynch to Jackson Memorial Hospital, Miami; Maurice I. May to Barnert Memorial Hospital, Paterson, N.J.; Francis J. Murphy to Community Hospital, Glen Cove, Long Island, N.Y.; Victor M. Pietri to Bayamon District Hospital, Bayamon, Puerto Rico, and Veterans Administration Center-San Patricio, San Juan, Puerto Rico.

Robert R. Reidy to Mount Auburn Hospital, Cambridge, Mass.; Juan Rivera-Rivera to Veterans Administration Center-San Patricio, San Juan, Puerto Rico, and Bayamon District Hospital, Bayamon, Puerto Rico; Dr. Abraham Rossman-Castilla to Herrick Memorial Hospital, Berkeley, Calif.; Leonard Schragger to Montefiore Hospital, New York; Irwin Shapiro to Hospital for Joint Diseases, New York, and Hiram Yunque-Martinez to Bayamon District Hospital, Bayamon, Puerto Rico.

## University, Hospital Merge

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### N. Y. Blue Cross Elects Bugbee, Three From Labor

NEW YORK. — Three representatives of labor and George Bugbee, president of Health Information Foundation, have been elected to the board of directors of Associated Hospital Service, New York's Blue Cross plan, the group has announced.

The labor representatives are Thomas Carey, business manager of District 15, International Association of Machinists, A.F.L.-C.I.O.; Louis Hollander, a vice president of the

Amalgamated Clothing Workers of America and manager of the New York Joint Board, and Charles S. Zimmerman, a vice president of the International Ladies Garment Workers Union and general manager of its Dressmakers Joint Council.

Mr. Bugbee is a member of the board of directors and chairman of the master plan committee of the Hospital Council of Greater New York and a member of the hospital facilities research study section of the National Institutes of Health.



# How Not to Get Stuck with Syringes

## A report on the Economical stocking of Hypodermic Syringes by the hospital



by **Alfred A. Mannino**  
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, HOSPITAL DEPT.  
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Hypodermic syringes are high on the hospital pharmacy list of inventory "troublemakers." The following questions and answers are designed as a guide to make your syringe inventory operation as economical, and therefore profitable, as possible.

### 1. Should I buy disposable syringes or re-usable syringes?

To answer this question, you must determine the exact costs involved in rendering a glass hypodermic syringe usable after each use, including the available help on the floors as well as in Central Supply, and also the cost of processing a purchase order.

### 2. How much does it cost to buy hypodermic syringes?

Several studies show the cost of processing a purchase order to be anywhere from \$4-\$14. Procurement costs consist of the time and money spent in replenishment studies, purchase actions, receiving stock, inspecting stock and, of course, paying for stock. You can reduce procurement costs by placing fewer orders and buying larger quantities, but there is a direct proportion between procurement costs and carrying costs. Placing fewer and larger orders automatically increases carrying costs.

### 3. How much does it cost to stock hypodermic syringes?

Carrying costs consist of elements such as storage, obsolescence, loss through theft or damage and deterioration. Many industrial concerns calculate annual carrying costs at between 10% and 30% of the initial cost. Since the average hospital uses 10¢ per bed per day of syringes, obviously even a minimum 10% carrying cost will affect operating costs and, thus, profit.

### 4. How does the value of orders determine total costs?

Value of Order	No. of Orders Per Year	Procurement Costs	Average Active Inventory	Carrying Costs	Total Cost
\$ 1200	1	\$ 4	\$ 600	\$ 60	\$ 64
600	2	8	300	30	38
400	3	12	200	20	32
300	4	16	150	15	31*
240	5	20	120	12	32
200	6	24	100	10	34

\*Least Total Cost

### 5. When should I buy hypodermic syringes?

Many buyers ask, "How many syringes should I buy?" The real problem is not so much *how many* but *when*

to buy. The when, of course, will also answer the question of how much. After your total costs of procuring and carrying are established, the resulting data will give you the economic purchase order quantity, or the number of times per year an order should be placed.

### 6. What is the economic purchase order quantity?

Economic purchase order quantity is the level at which the combined costs of procuring and carrying inventory are at a minimum. The size of the order which produces this result is known as the Economic Purchase Order Quantity.

### 7. What is a desired "Stock Turnover" as related to syringes?

Stock turnover is calculated by dividing the cost of sales by the cost of inventory. For example, if your cost of sales is \$40,000 and your cost of inventory is \$10,000, you are getting 4 stock turns per year. If, however, you wish to achieve a desired stock turnover of 5 per year, then \$40,000 divided by 5 (\$8,000) should be cost of inventory. The desirable stock turnover depends upon the value of the order, as shown in the chart under question #4.

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## Pennsylvania Extends Blue Cross Coverage

PITTSBURGH. — Diagnostic services for outpatients will be provided under Blue Cross and Blue Shield contracts under new agreements that have been approved by state insurance commissioner Francis R. Smith, it was announced here last month.

The additional charge for outpatient diagnostic coverage will range from 15 cents a month for individuals to 40 cents a month for families, the announcement said. Of these amounts, 4 cents to 13 cents applies to Blue Cross

outpatient diagnostic coverage, and 11 to 27 cents is for the Blue Shield services, it was explained.

"Blue Cross will pay for services rendered and billed by the hospital, and Blue Shield covers such services outside the hospital when performed and billed by doctors," the announcement said.

Outpatient diagnostic services included under the new agreements include x-ray, electrocardiographic and electroencephalographic examinations, and basal metabolism tests, it was reported.

Action by Commissioner Smith in approving the new agreements was described as "an important forward step in meeting the public need and desire for comprehensive health care protection" by William H. Ford, Blue Cross president.

"The addition of outpatient diagnostic benefits will not only help eliminate the incentive for unnecessary inpatient hospitalization," Mr. Ford said, "but should help bring about early care that is important in conserving good health. In many cases, this should serve to avoid long and costly hospital stays often necessitated after illness reaches an advanced stage."

## ABOUT PEOPLE

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**Tasker K. Robinette**, western regional manager for Consultant Associates Corporation, has been named administrator of Quincy Valley Hospital, Quincy, Wash. The hospital is under construction and is scheduled for July completion. Mr. Robinette is a graduate of the hospital administration course at St. Louis University. He previously had been stationed at Fairchild Air Force Hospital, Spokane, Wash.



Capt. C. M. Sanders

**Capt. Charles M. Sanders** has been appointed medical services administrator at the air force's newly constructed School of Aviation Medicine and Research Center, San Antonio, Tex. He is a graduate of the program in hospital administration at the National Naval Medical Center, Bethesda, Md., and the program in hospital administration at Georgia State College of Business Administration.

**A. L. Joiner**, business manager of Eugene Wuesthoff Memorial Hospital, Rockledge, Fla., has resigned. He has been succeeded by **E. Gilbert Slatton** as administrator. Previously Mr. Slatton had been administrative assistant at Tampa General Hospital, Tampa, Fla.

**James A. Fox**, formerly administrator of Sullivan County Memorial Hospital, Milan, Mo., has assumed his new position as administrator of Excelsior Springs Hospital, Excelsior Springs,

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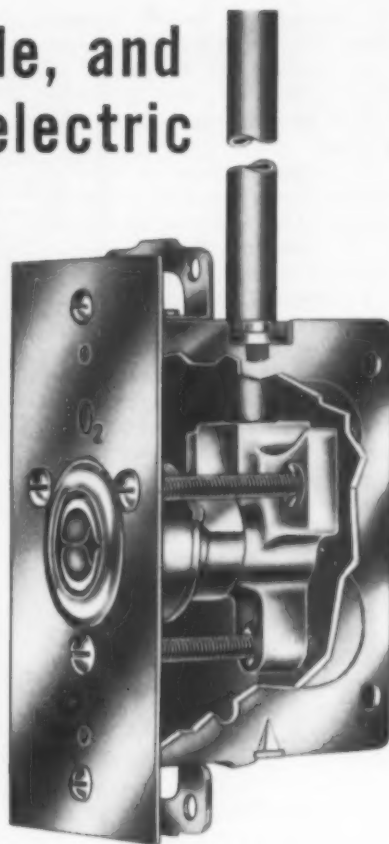
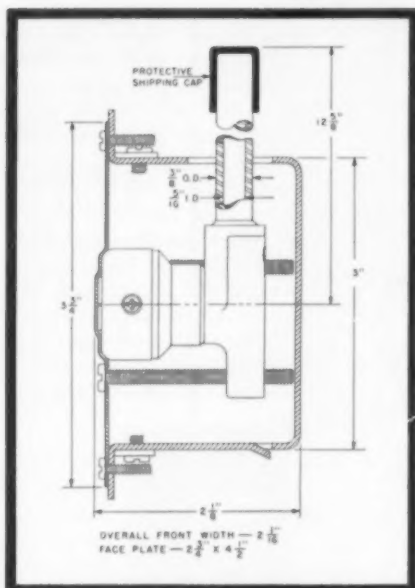
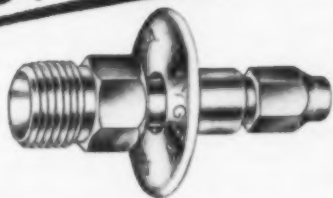
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Mo. He succeeds the late **Margaret Sharp**, who was killed in an ambulance accident last December. Mr. Fox has been succeeded at Sullivan County Memorial Hospital by **Clive Freeland**.

**R. L. Groff** has been appointed superintendent of Community Memorial Hospital, Crawford, Neb. He was previously with the Pennsylvania Department of Public Welfare.

**Dr. Edwin H. Cole** has been named superintendent of South Mississippi Charity Hospital, Laurel, succeeding the late **Dr. J. P. Fatherree**. A graduate of Millsaps College, Jackson, Miss., Dr. Cole received his medical degree from Tulane University.



**Arthur E. Shade III** has been appointed managing director of the Methodist Church Home, Cornwall, Pa. He is presently engaged with the New York state prepayment study being conducted by the school of public health and administrative medicine of Columbia University. Previously he was assistant administrator of the

Manhattan Eye, Ear and Throat Hospital, New York. He is a member of the American College of Hospital Administrators.

**Frank O. Salt** has been appointed assistant administrator of St. Luke's Hospital, Spokane, Wash. He is a graduate of the hospital administration course of Medical College of Virginia. Previously he was assistant administrator at Porter Sanitarium and Hospital, Denver.

**Dr. R. T. Stevenson** has retired as administrator of Lake Wales Hospital, Lake Wales, Fla. **Clarence W. Miller**, assistant administrator for the last two years has been appointed administrator. Mr. Miller is a graduate of the U.S. Navy School of Hospital Administration, Bethesda, Md.

**Dr. John B. McHugh**, manager of the Veterans Administration hospital at Kansas City, Mo., has been transferred to the hospital at Wilkes-Barre, Pa. He succeeds **Dr. Walter S. Pugh**, whose new post was announced in *The Modern Hospital* last month. The V.A. also announced that **Richard G. Jones** has been transferred from Palo Alto, Calif., where he has been assistant manager, to be manager of the Hot Springs, S.D., center.

## Department Heads

**Helen Halloran** has been named coordinator of public relations and public information for Holy Cross Hospital, Chicago. Mrs. Halloran attended St. Louis University where she completed a special course in hospital administration. She was formerly a staff consultant with the Catholic Hospital Association.

**Susan L. Dunn** has been appointed director of nursing service and nursing education at Methodist Episcopal Hospital, Philadelphia. Formerly Mrs. Dunn was associate director of nursing at St. Luke's Hospital, New York.

**Dr. Arild E. Hansen**, professor and chairman of the pediatrics department at the University of Texas Medical School, has been appointed research director at Children's Hospital of the East Bay, San Francisco, succeeding **Dr. Irvine McQuarrie**, who will remain as consultant.

**Virginia Keller** has assumed her duties as assistant director of the James Ward Thorne School of Nursing, Passavant Hospital, Chicago. She had been on the faculty of Presbyterian-St. Luke's School of Nursing, Chicago. She received her Bachelor of Science degree in nursing education and a master's degree in nursing education from Loyola University. **Marcia Minch** has been appointed social director for the Passavant school of nursing. She is a graduate of Illinois Wesleyan University. The hospital has also announced the appointment of **Dorothy Dowrie** to succeed **Constance Florian** as volunteer director.

## Miscellaneous



**Col. Inez Haynes**, retiring chief of the army nurse corps has been appointed general director of the National League for Nursing. Col. Haynes will join the N.L.N. September 1, succeeding **Anna Fillmore**, who has been named executive director of the Visiting Nurse Service of New York. Col. Haynes is a graduate of Scott and White Hospital School of Nursing, Temple, Tex., has her bachelor's degree from the University of Minnesota, and has done advanced work in administration and management at the Army Medical Service School. She is currently chairman of the Council of Federal Nursing Service.

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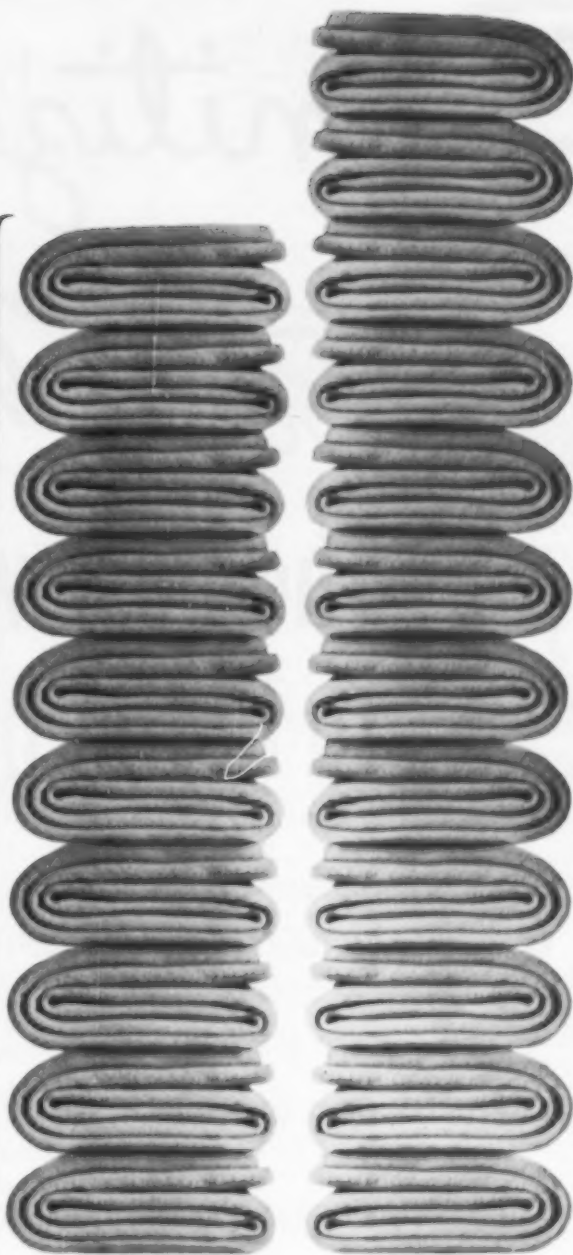
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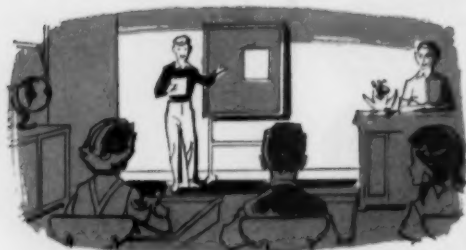
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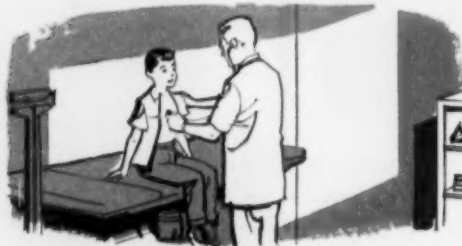
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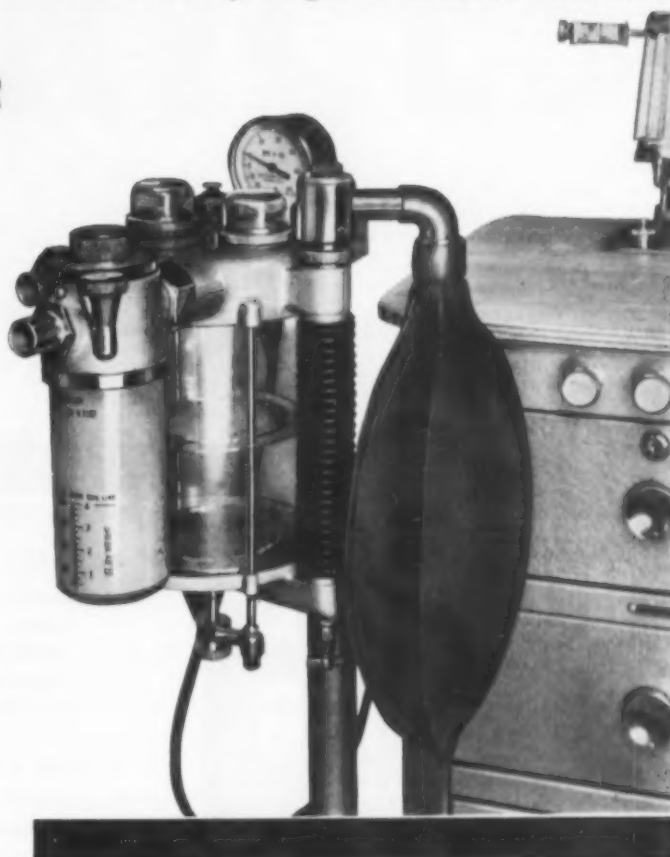
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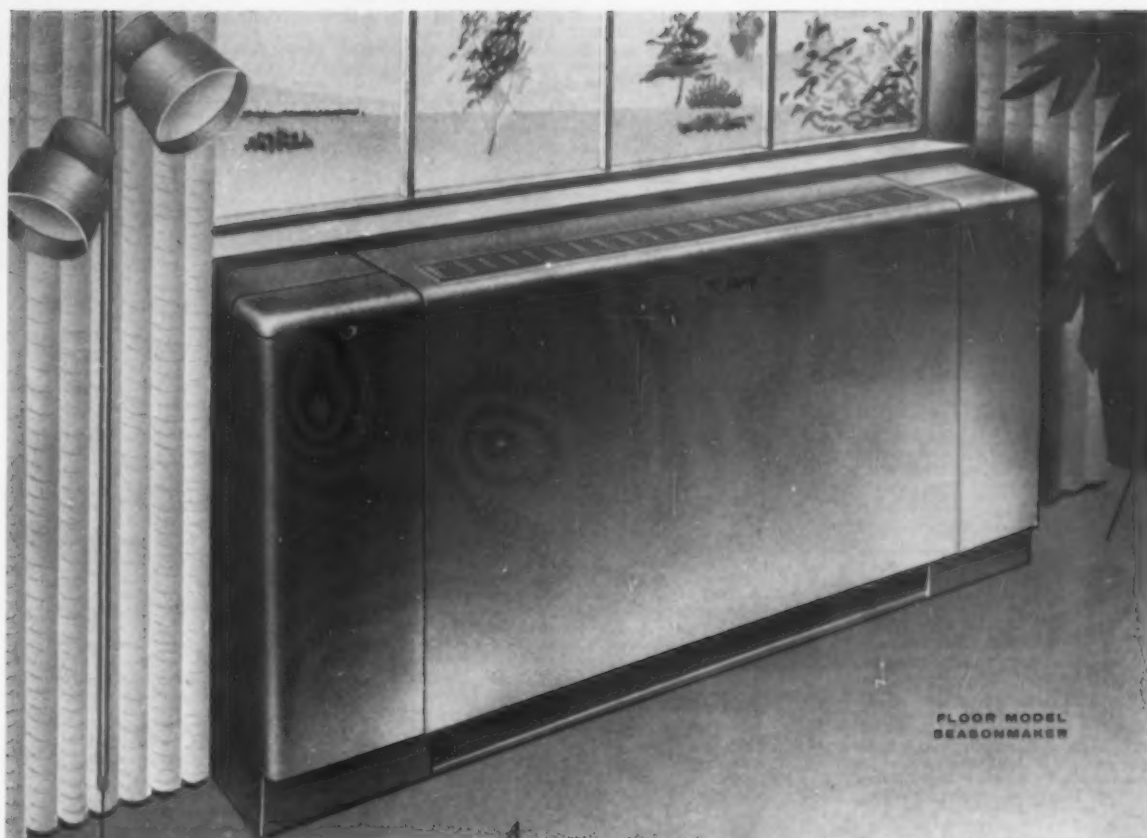
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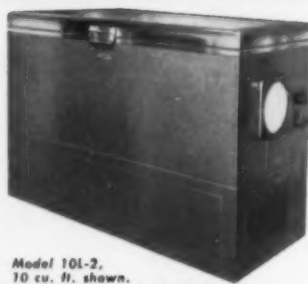
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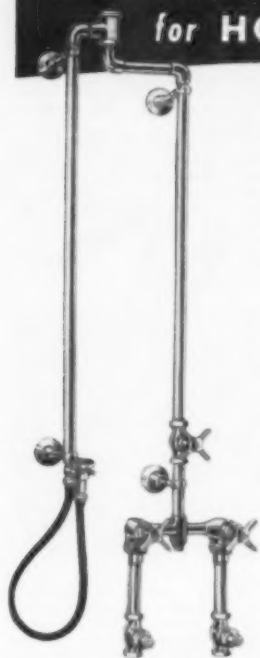
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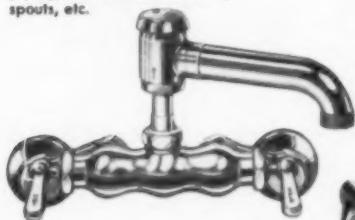


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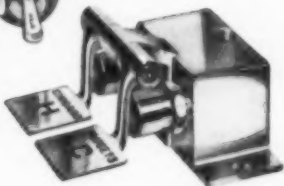


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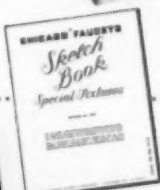
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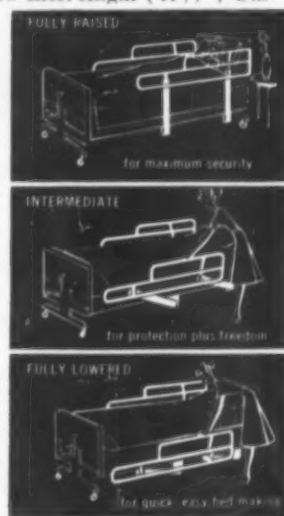
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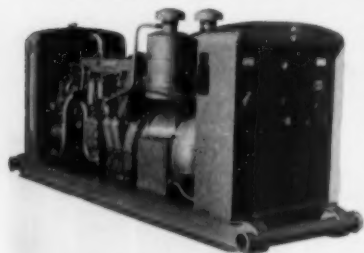
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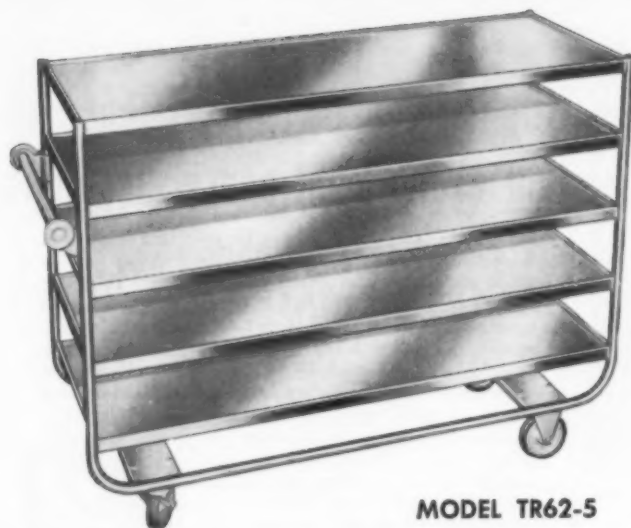
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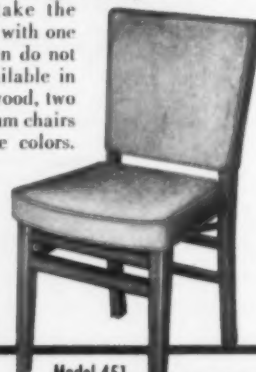
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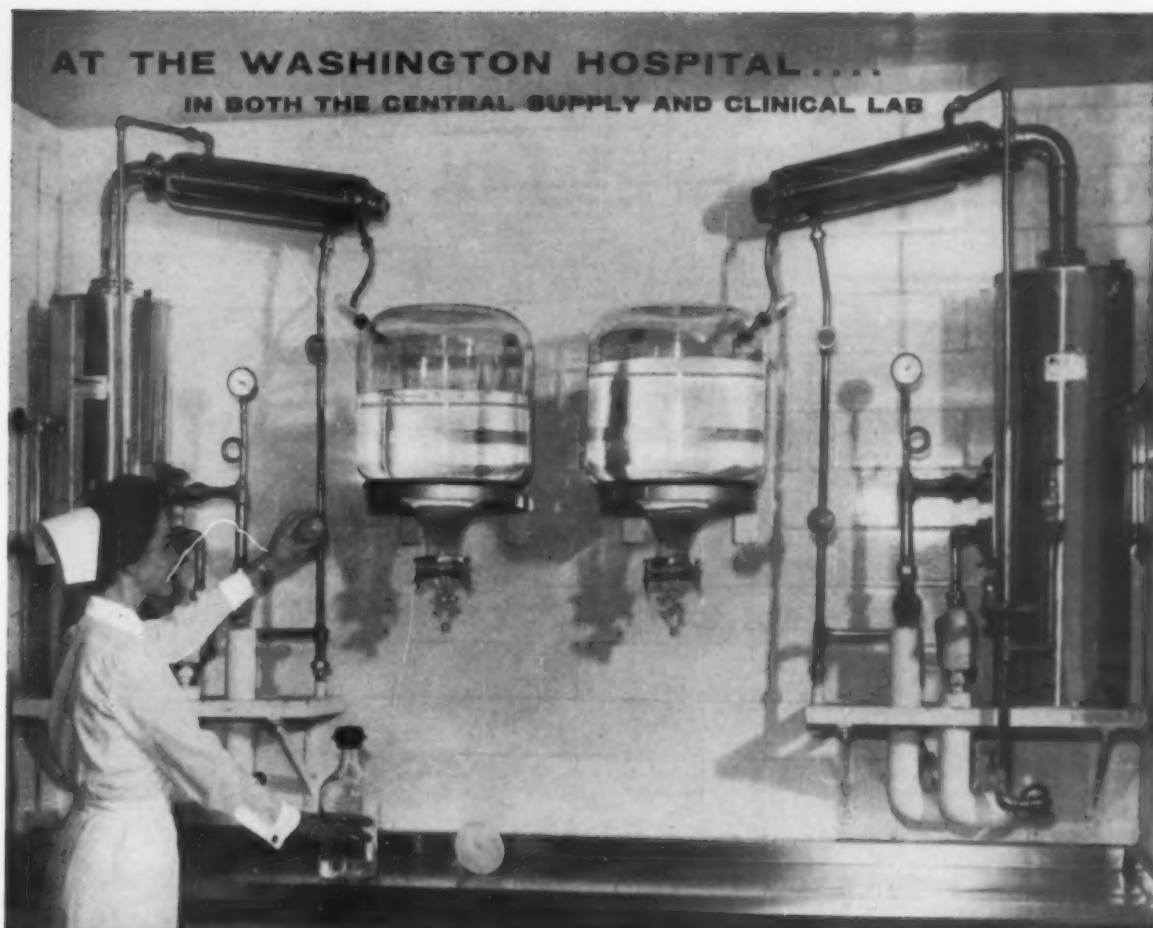


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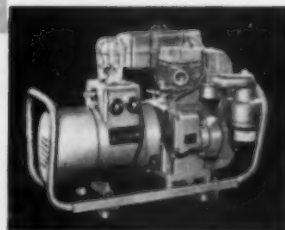


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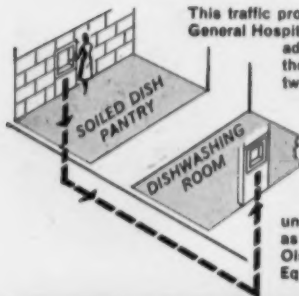
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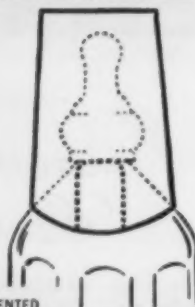
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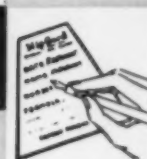
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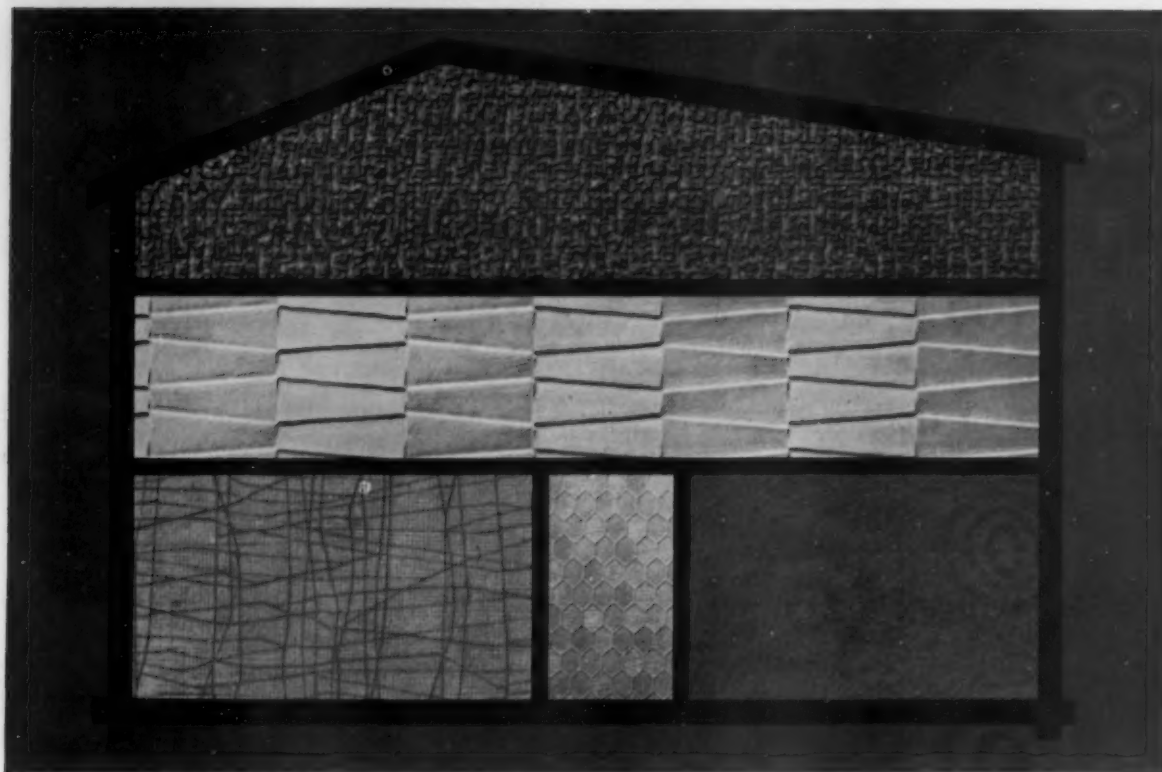


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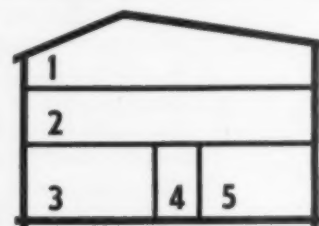
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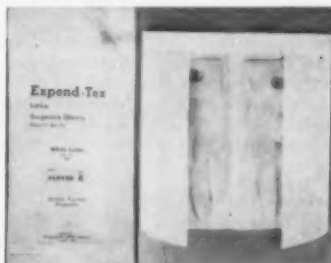
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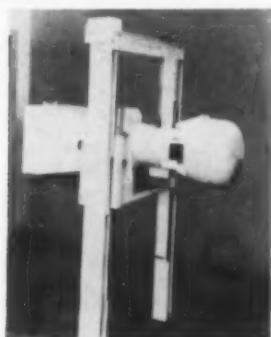
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### Weckink Sterilizing Bags Hold Various Items

Developed for packaging syringes, needles, catheters, instruments, surgeons' gloves and similar items for autoclaving, the new Weckink Sterilizing Bags have printing that turns green when autoclaved. Formed of special wet strength paper and water-resistant glue, the bags come in six convenient sizes. Edward Weck & Co., 135 Johnson St., Brooklyn 1, N.Y.

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### Zylon Carafe System Eliminates Cross Infection



Daily replacement of very low-cost disposable liners in the new Zylon molded water carafe helps to eliminate cross infection hazards in patient water service. The system includes a tumbler and a separate cover in addition to the lined, wide-mouth carafe. All parts are molded of Pro-fax® a new polypropylene plastic that is highly resistant to heat and therefore can be autoclaved between patients for complete sanitation. Zylon Products Co., Inc., 42 Church St., Pawtucket, R.I.

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### Rapid Slide Test for Gamma Globulin Levels

Test reactions are clearly visible in two minutes with the new GG-Test for estimating gamma globulin levels. The new slide test is based on a latex fixation reaction and supplies prompt results from one drop of patient blood serum. The GG-Test is available in compact 40-test kits. Hyland Laboratories, 4501 Colorado Blvd., Los Angeles 39, Calif.

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### Tomac All-Purpose Table Adjusts for Height or Use

A versatile, attractive heavy duty folding table for use with wheel chair patients or



those seated in patient rooms, and for any other area of the hospital where a strong attractive table is needed, is available in the Tomac All-Purpose Table. Spring buttons on all four legs permit quick and easy adjustment in height to serve the particular need. Adjustment of all four legs gives a flat table for eating and other purposes, but for reading two legs are adjusted to give a comfortable sloping top with a "hide-away" bookrest. The table folds easily for storage, has a Formica top and tubular steel legs with rubber tips. Rehabilitation Products, 2020 Ridge Ave., Evanston, Ill.

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### Automatic Laundry Process With Troy Washer-Extractor

A complete laundry load is processed and ready for pressing in the time usually required for washing only, with the new Troy "WX" Washer-Extractor. Standard automatic controls perform all wash and extract operations except for the manual addition of supplies. Lifting ribs assure proper washing action and two-speed extraction provides maximum moisture removal with minimum vibration. The ma-



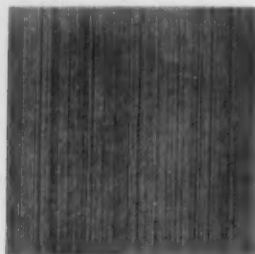
chine is available in 100 to 375-pound capacity models. Troy Laundry Machinery Div., American Machine and Metals, Inc., East Moline, Ill.

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### Bolta-Wall Vinyl Tile Is Now Sanitized

A sanitizing process is used to treat the new Bolta-Wall vinyl tile and roll goods for wall covering. The process protects ma-



terials against the growth and action of bacteria, fungi, mildew and other micro-organisms. The new material is germ, odor and mold resistant, yet is non-toxic and non-irritating. It is designed to assist in keeping patient rooms and other hospital areas as free from sources of infection as possible. The Striped Linen pattern illustrated is the first among many attractive wall covering materials available in the sanitized line. The General Tire & Rubber Co., Akron, Ohio.

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### Clinitest Urine-Sugar Set in Streamlined Plastic Case

An attractive, streamlined case in two-tone gray plastic compactly holds the components of the new Clinitest Urine-Sugar Analysis Set. Fitted to form a self-contained unit, the new set has a visible test tube holder which exposes the entire length of the tube. The interchangeable refill permits the use of either Clinitest Tablets in bottles of 36 or Sealed-in-Foil tablets. Reagent tablets, test tube, dropper and color scale are standardized to Clinitest specifications for rapid, reliable urine-sugar testing. Ames Company, Inc., Elkhart, Ind.

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### Mobile Cracked Ice Bin Introduced by Jewett

Cracked ice is available as needed with the new Jewett Model R-100P mobile ice bin. Mounted on two swivel and two sta-



tionary rubber-tired casters for easy movement, the counter-balanced unit holds 150 pounds of cracked ice. Exterior and bin are of stainless steel with two inches of insulation. The unit is 24 by 25 inches in size, 37 inches high. Jewett Refrigerator Co., Inc., 2 Letchworth St., Buffalo 13, N.Y.

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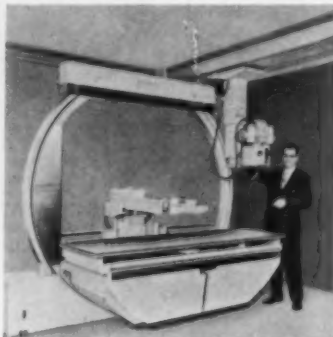
### Storage Space Saved With Concentrated Tomato Juice

Convenience in handling and savings in storage space are some of the advantages offered in the new Concentrated Tomato Juice now available from Heinz. The new product is the result of extensive research by Heinz food technologists and chefs. The process used eliminates approximately 75 per cent of the water content, saving corresponding storage space. The concentrate is mixed with ice water for immediate serving of chilled tomato juice without refrigerated storage. It may also be used for cooking. H. J. Heinz Co., P.O. Box 57, Pittsburgh 30, Pa.

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### G-E Imperial "Mark-II" Diagnostic X-Ray Unit

Exact counterbalancing of every function under accurate and simplified control gives the new General Electric Imperial "Mark-II" diagnostic x-ray the effect of weightlessness in use. The ease of handling permits radiologist and technician to devote undivided attention to the patient. A new concept in bilateral overhead tube-



hanger design eliminates the "pull" of high-voltage cables. The newly-designed spot-film unit retains shutter diaphragm settings regardless of table angulation. General Electric Co., X-Ray Dept., 4855 W. Electric Ave., Milwaukee 14, Wis.

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### Square Dial and Round Clocks in "Flexchron" Clock System

Newly styled clocks have been developed specifically as additions to the new Standard "Flexchron" Clock and Program System. The automatic, fully-corrected clock system now employs the new square dial clocks and newly styled round clocks with markers instead of numerals. The new models, in 10, 12 and 16-inch sizes, are also supplied with other movements for use in impulse systems and as individual clocks. The Standard Electric Time Co., 89 Logan St., Springfield, Mass.

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### Stainless Steel Utility Truck Has Heavy Duty Chassis

A heavy duty automotive-type chassis is used for the new stainless steel Cargo Clipper. The utility truck is designed as a strong, versatile truck for all-purpose use in food operations and for general use in the hospital. The U-type frame supports

stainless steel shelves with all joints and points of strain reinforced and welded. The Cargo Clipper rolls smoothly on 6-inch Bassick wheels with dirt guards and syn-



thetic rubber tires that resist heat, acids, alkalis, grease and other hazardous liquids. The truck is easy to clean and has a load capacity of 600 pounds. Bloomfield Industries, Inc., 4546 W. 47th St., Chicago 32.

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### Universal Tinting Colors for All Types of Paints

A single, safe, sure type of tinting medium which can be used with success in all types of modern primers and finishes is introduced by Barreled Sunlight Paint Company in high-strength "Universal Tinting Colors." The 15 colors were developed especially for use with the various white paints and enamels in the Barreled Sunlight Master Painter "10-Line" but they can also be used to tint any type of interior or exterior primer or finish or with ready-mixed colors for special tints, according to the report. The colors disperse quickly and completely with a minimum of stirring and have high tinting strength. The 15 colors are packaged in friction top quart and half-pint cans. Barreled Sunlight Paint Co., Box 1365, Providence 1, R.I.

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### Compact Lift Helps Patients

Patients can be easily lifted in and out of automobiles from wheel chairs with the new Hoyer Kartop Lift. The device mounts on top of an automobile to help the patient in and out with one attendant and mini-



mum effort. The entire operation can be easily accomplished by a nurse or other woman attendant. Everest & Jennings, Inc., 1803 S. Pontius Ave., West Los Angeles 25, Calif.

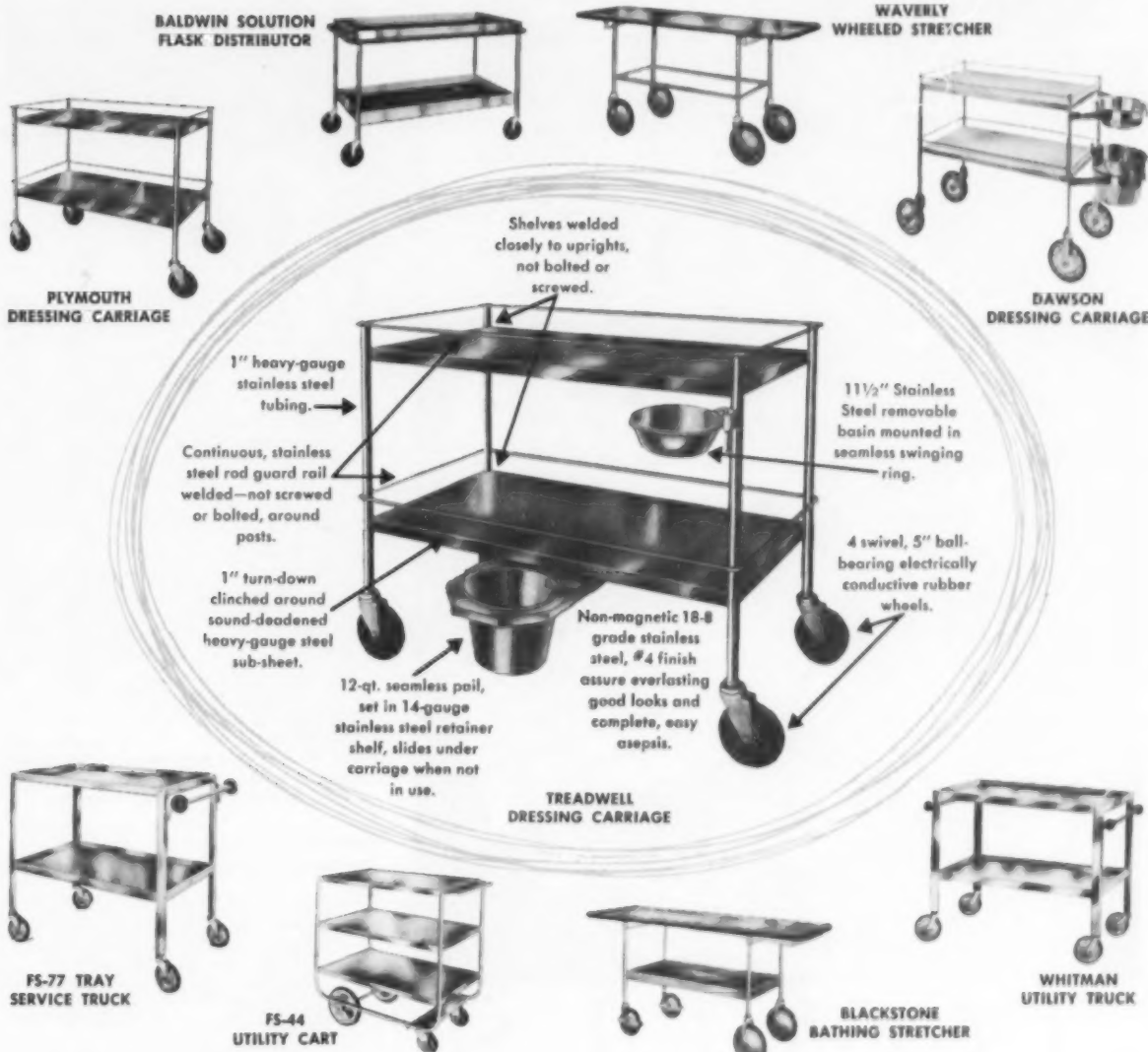
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### Easily Opened Chair-Bed for Patient Rooms and Nurses

Quick, easy opening and closing, attractive appearance, and storage space for a made-up bed with pillows are some of the features of the new Couchette Ducal Transformable unit. In addition to providing the advantage of a sitting room with

comfortable, made-up bed available in seconds for nurses' homes and staff quarters, the Couchette offers special advantages in actual hospital use. The arm chair unit provides a firm, comfortable, upholstered seat for the convalescing patient from which he can rise without help or undue effort. In a matter of seconds the chair can be converted into a bed for a mother staying with a pediatric patient, a special duty nurse or other attendant, and similar uses. After use the bed is made and



straps attached at each end are pulled to bring top and seat easily together, again forming the sturdy, comfortable chair. The Couchette is available in single chair, sectional or two davenport sizes. It is balanced so that it moves readily on easy-rolling casters for floor cleaning. Superior Sleeprite Corp., 759 S. Washtenaw Ave., Chicago 12.

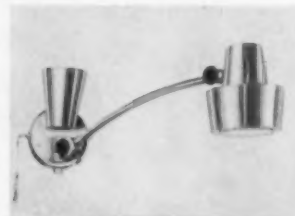
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### Standby Electric Plant Is Also Portable

Designed for emergency standby use, or as a portable unit, the new 2500-watt Onan electric generating plant is relatively light in weight. The gasoline engine-driven generator set will serve the emergency needs of a small institution or department and is a completely self-contained versatile unit. Model 205AJ-IM/1430 standby model is compact and has a separate fuel tank. D. W. Onan & Sons Inc., 2515 University Ave. S.E., Minneapolis 14, Minn.

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### Multi-Purpose Light for Patients' Rooms

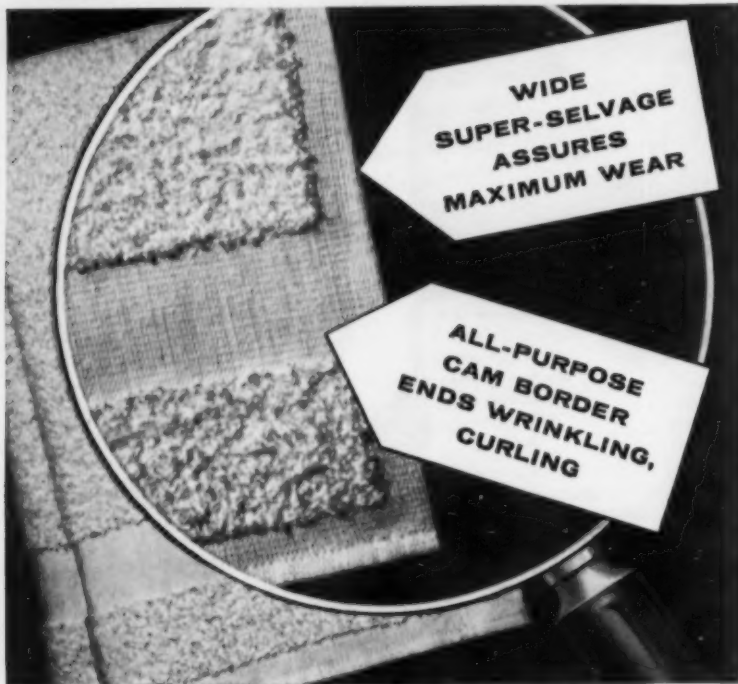


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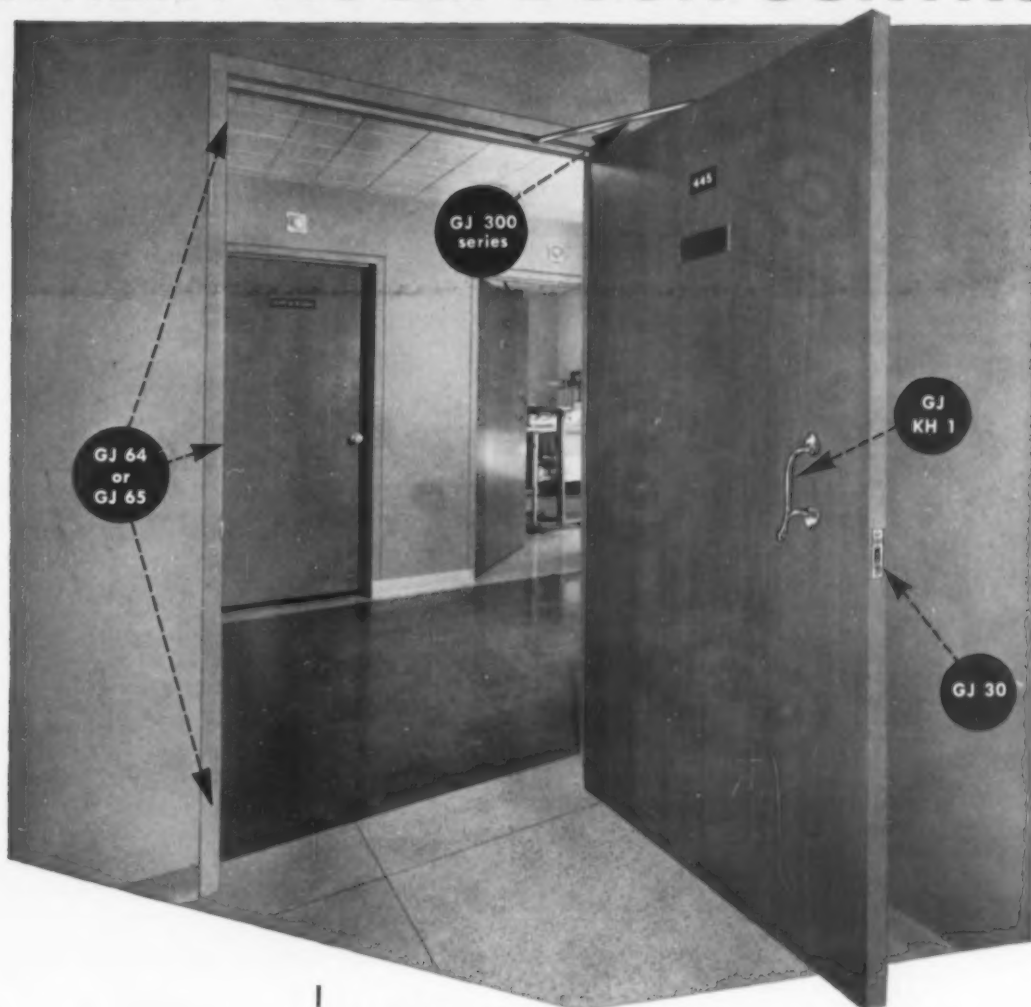
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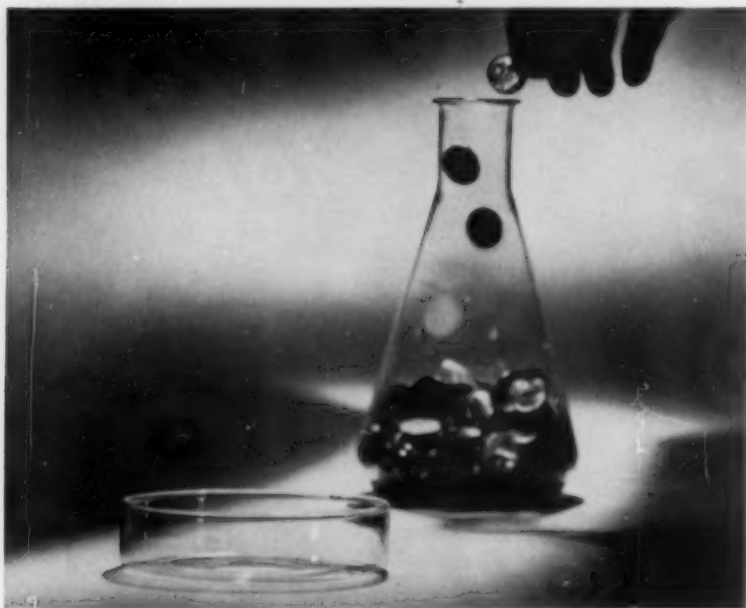
also be used as a dry cleaner, to polish and pick up dust and loose dirt.

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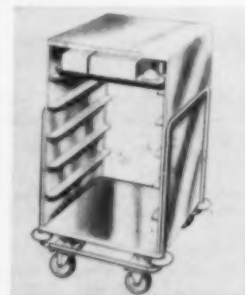
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### Mobile Carrier for Trays and Food



The H9-6 is a Mobile Tray Carrier and Food Dispenser capable of handling six trays. Flanged edges are smoothly finished and durable and the sturdily constructed unit has stainless steel top, bottom, sides and rack slides. The tubular steel frame is chromium plated and rotary ball bearing bumpers are of non-marking rubber for rolling along walls and doors without damage. W. H. Frick, Inc., 705 Citizens Bldg., Cleveland 14, Ohio.

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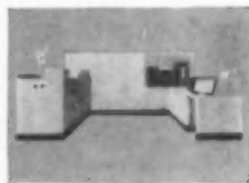
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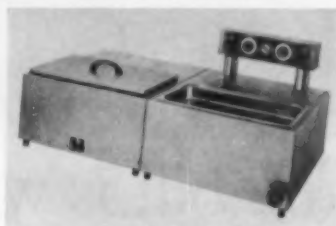


is an economical, disposable culture technique for use in the patient's room which brings results usually within 12 to 24 hours. Medikit was developed by physicians as a simple laboratory technique for hospital use without the need for special laboratory equipment. Each kit contains blood agar plates, cotton-tipped applicators and rings containing eight antibacterial agents. Media, Inc., Newark 2, N.J.

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### Pel-Sonic Washer Also Dries Instruments

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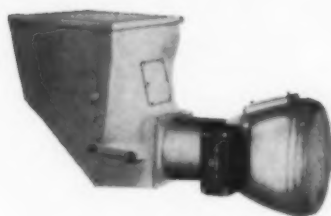
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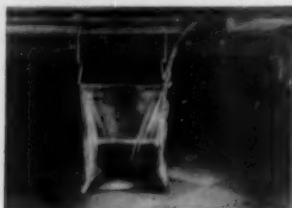
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### Plastic Disposable Syringes With or Without Needles

Precision made of Cymac plastic, the new Vim Disposable Syringes are available with or without needles, individually packaged and sterilized for immediate use. The danger of cross-infection through re-use of syringes or needles is eliminated although the syringes may be used with regular needles if desired. Features include easy-

to-read markings, a flat plunger end for accurate dosage, transparent Luer tip and contoured plunger head and grip. American Cyanamid Co., Surgical Products Div., 30 Rockefeller Plaza, New York 20.

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### Fully Automatic Entrance Is Complete Package

Door, frame and operating mechanism are designed as an integral part of the completely automatic electric entrance package developed by Kawneer. The entire operat-

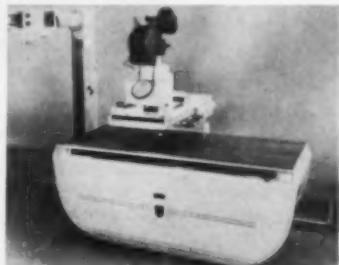


ing mechanism is contained within the trim 2½-inch wide transom bar above the door. Panic exit protection is built into the unit and a protector-type design prevents finger-pinching. The door automatically slows down near the end of each opening and closing cycle to prevent accidents. The door can be used between departments to facilitate carrying trays, instruments and other items without having to touch the door, or at the entrance for convenience and safety. Kawneer Co., Niles, Mich.

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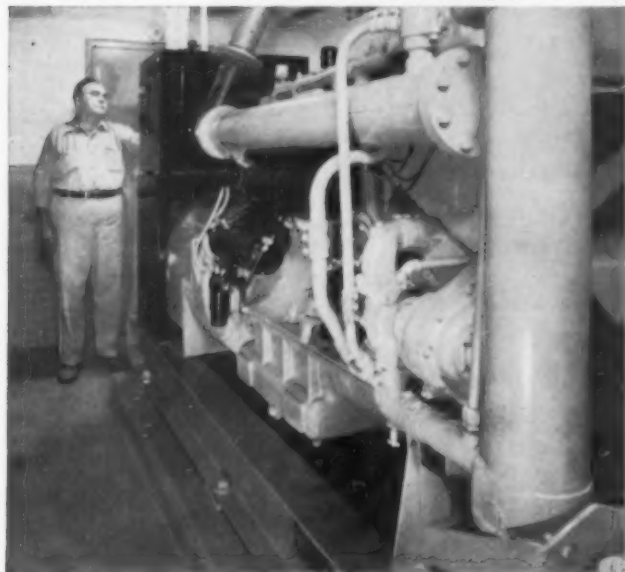
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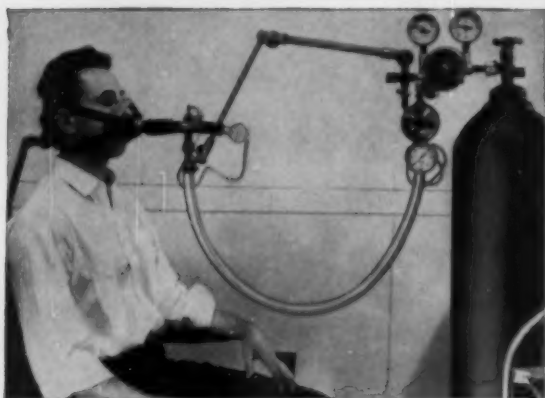
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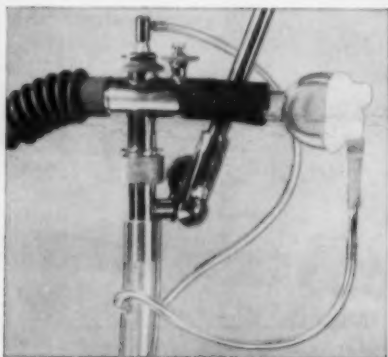
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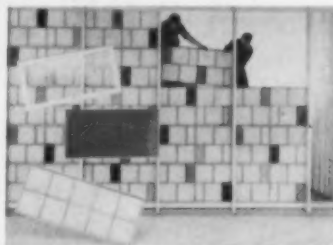
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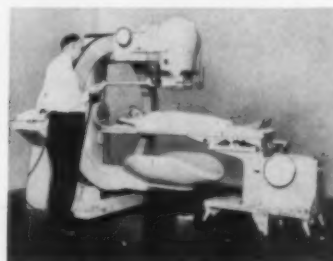
### Disposable Cartridges Have Plastic Casings

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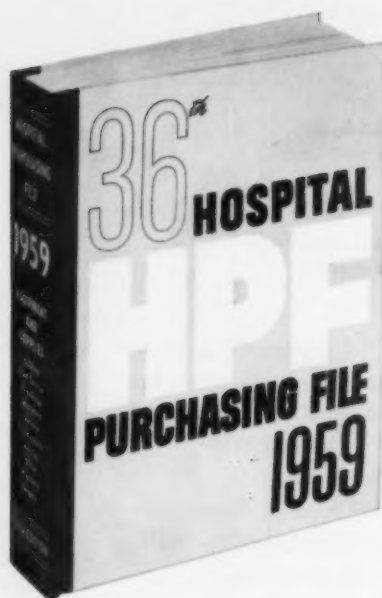


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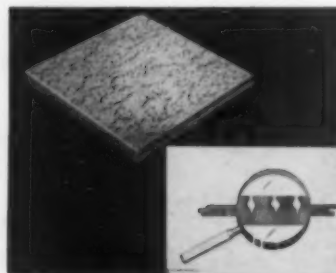
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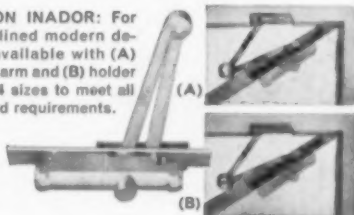
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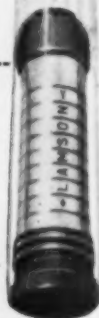
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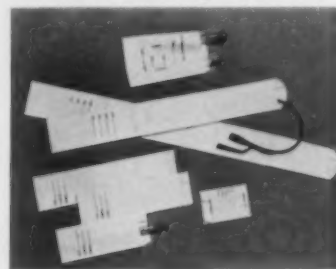
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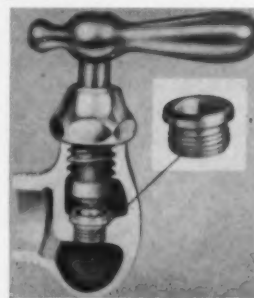
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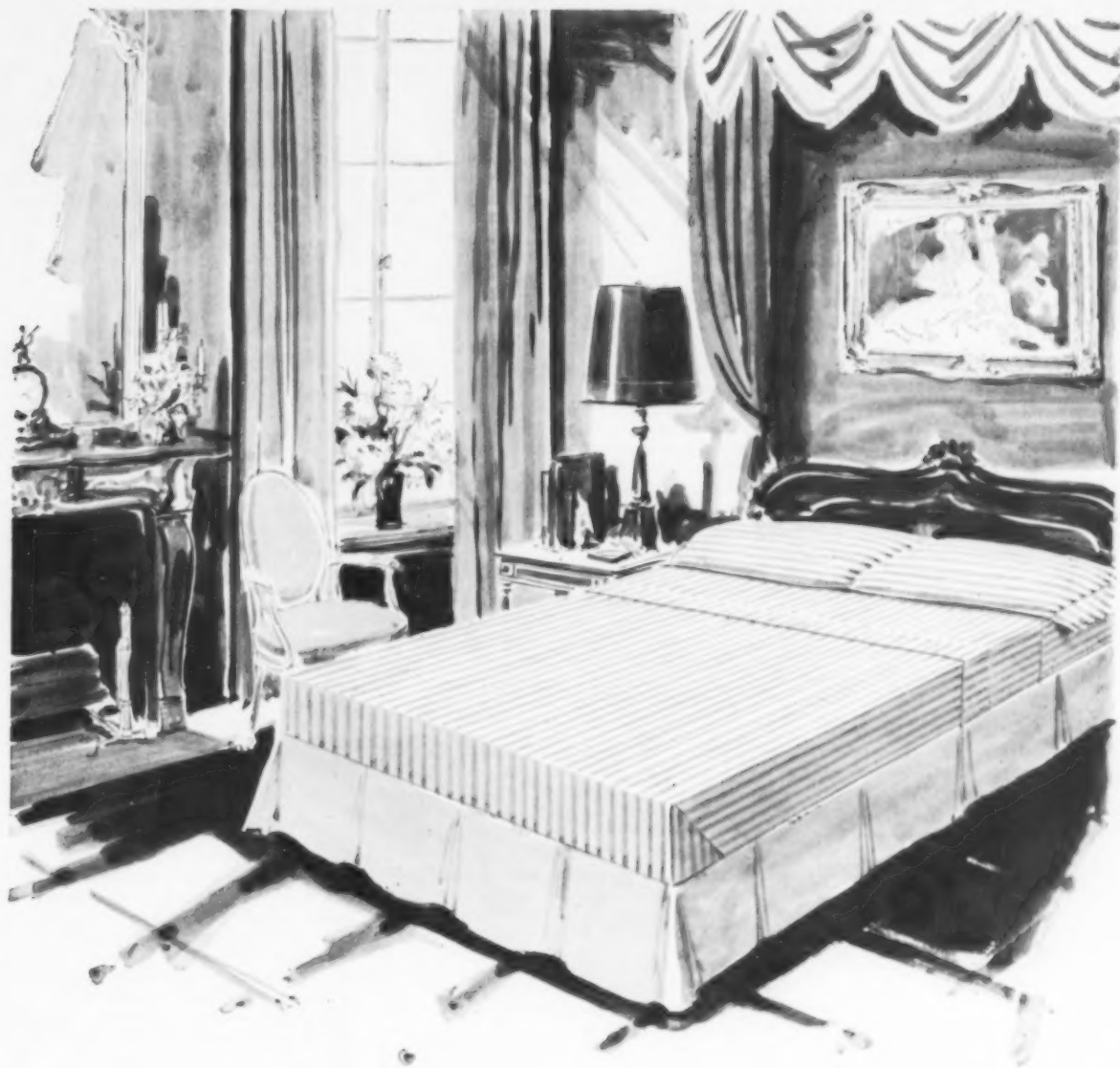
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## Literature and Services

• A comprehensive product catalog on surgical sutures is available from Ethicon, Inc., Somerville, N.J. Interesting illustrations showing use of the sutures, Atraloc needles, foil packages and other materials are presented, together with full descriptive information, in the plastic-bound, hard cover. "Ethicon Descriptive Suture Catalogue."

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• "4 Versatile Office Time-Savers" are illustrated and described in the new 16-page booklet available from Eastman Kodak Co., Business Photo Methods Div., Rochester 4, N.Y. The booklet tells why and how the four modern copying machines developed by Eastman Kodak can save time and money and increase efficiency for the user.

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• Colorful illustrations of Natco Structural Clay Products and photographs of installations are shown in Natco Catalog S-59 available from Natco Corp., 327 Fifth Ave., Pittsburgh 22, Pa. Detailed drawings, specifications and descriptive information on these products for interior and exterior walls are presented, with data on other clay products manufactured by the company.

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• A chart containing concise pictorial information on diapering and tips on the prevention and treatment of diaper rash is offered by Chesebrough-Pond's Inc., 485 Lexington Ave., New York 17. Entitled "How To Be a Quick-Change Artist," the chart is designed for teaching and for distribution to new mothers.

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• "This Emblem Could Save Your Life" is the title of a folder prepared by the Medic-Alert Foundation, 1030 Sierra Drive, Turlock, Calif. for use by diabetics, epileptics, hemophiliacs and others with physical problems. The pamphlet gives information on the bracelets which are designed to prevent wrong medication being given to patients who may be unconscious.

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• How Pinkerton Service can save hospitals from losses is discussed in a 12-page booklet available from Pinkerton's, 154 Nassau St., New York 38. It discusses problems encountered by hospitals, listing them under internal thefts, personnel problems and security protection. Typical hospital cases are summarized and a list of user hospitals is included.

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• Two leaflets on Hospital Type Grab Bars and Towel Rails and Grab Bars are available from Logan Hospital Equipment Co., 136 N. Maryland, Glendale, Calif. Bulletin No. 68 gives specifications on Hospital Type Grab Bars for hospitals, convalescent homes, sanitariums, nursing homes, chronic disease units, mental hospitals and others, with data on specially designed mounting plates. Bulletin No. 57 gives factual information on extra heavy towel room rails and grab bars, with data on anchor plates and drawings of roughing-in details.

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• A handsomely-laid out and printed booklet on Cadillac Commercial Cars and Chassis for 1959 is available from Cadillac Motor Car Div., General Motors Corp., Commercial Dept., Detroit 32, Mich. The special chassis, exclusively designed and engineered for ambulance use, are pictured and described with full specifications and illustrations of custom bodies built for the chassis.

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• "Facts About Color Coding" published by Becton, Dickinson & Co., Rutherford, N.J., explains color coding of hospital products to save time and labor. Lists are given of standard color codes adopted by manufacturers throughout the medical equipment industry.

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• The new "Six Cylinder Cradle Bulk Oxygen Supply Unit" developed by Ohio Chemical & Surgical Equipment Co., Madison 10, Wis. is described and illustrated in a brochure recently released. Specifications and installation data are included.

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• The extended payment plan for purchase of Vapor Drum Modulating Boilers to conserve working capital is discussed in Bulletin 486 available from Vapor Heating Corp., 80 E. Jackson Blvd., Chicago 4.

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## Book Announcements

Brown, "Medical and Surgical Nursing II," 850 pgs., \$8. Jamieson, Sewall and Gjertson, "Trends in Nursing History," 5th ed., 522 pgs., \$5. Luder, Vernon and Zuffanti, "General Chemistry," 2nd ed., 582 pgs., \$6.75. W. B. Saunders Co., West Washington Square, Philadelphia 5, Pa.

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## Suppliers' News

Plans to merge the A. S. Aloe Co., 1831 Olive St., St. Louis 3, Mo., hospital supply and equipment firm, and the Brunswick-Balke-Collender Co., 623 S. Wabash Ave., Chicago 5, manufacturer of furniture, are announced by Howard F. Baer, President of Aloe. The company will continue to operate as a separate institution with no change in policies, executives, employees, plants and manufacturing, according to Mr. Baer, and Aloe headquarters will remain in St. Louis. The report indicates that the proposed statutory merger would be effected by exchange of stock shares, with Aloe operating as a major division of Brunswick and both companies improving their long-range outlook. The merger plan will be submitted to stockholders of both companies at special meetings on June 26.

General Electric announces the establishment of a single communications organization for its several product businesses serving the medical markets and other communication equipment users. The new organization will be known as the General Electric Communication Products Dept. with headquarters in Lynchburg, Va. It will make two-way radio equipment for hospitals and doctors as well as closed circuit television equipment.



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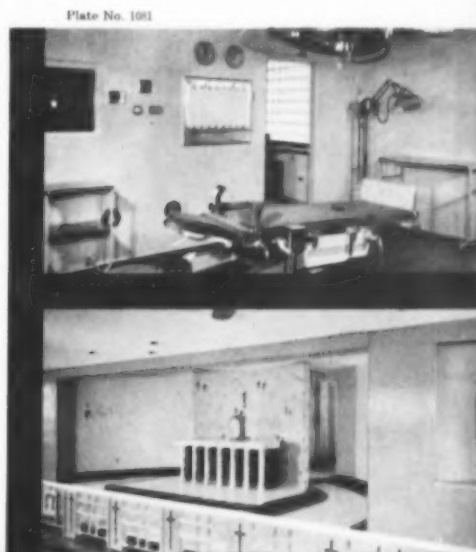


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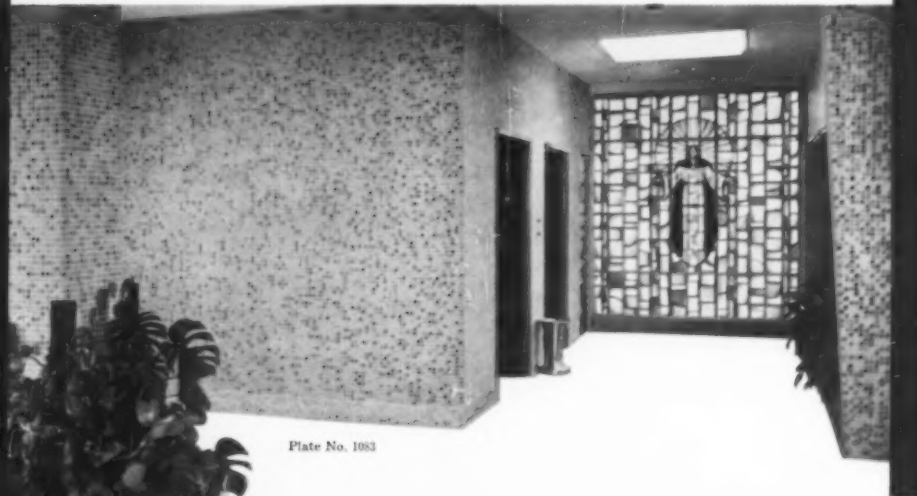


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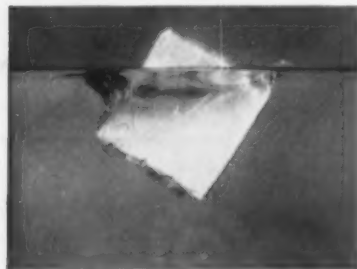
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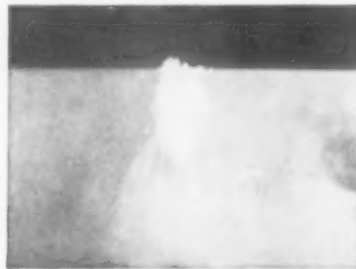
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